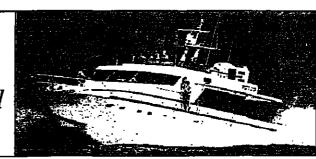


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# Border chief is thrown out by Gorbachov

# Bid to take control as **Baltic threats grow**

By Daniel Triesman

Hopes of a compromise

despite

Gorbachov's apparent good-

will, Lithuanians are afraid

Solzhenitsyn's glossary 8

that hardbitters at the full

central committee meeting of

the Soviet Communist Party

later this month will force a

The stakes rose still higher

s the Estonian Communist

Party threw its support behind

the Lithuanians, after a meet-

ing of its Central Committee

set March 23 as the date for its

own congress. It is expected to

vote then on a similar pro-

posal to split from the Soviet

Mr Geider Isayev, who

formally retired from the

Nakhichevan post for health

reasons, was replaced on Wednesday by Mr Asyeadin

Dzhalilov, the Azerbaijan for-

But a spokesman, Mr Ismail Agayev, indicated the retire-ment was a result of the week

of turmoil in the region, where crowds on Thursday tore up

fences along the border with

Iran."You know what is happening in Nakhichevan.

Mr Agayev said when asked

the reason for Mr Isayev's

Meanwhile, 10,000 protesters took to the streets of

the Azerbaijani capital Baku in sympathy with their compatriots in the troubled

Mr Nazim Ragimov, a

journalist, said in a telephone

30,000 people gathered on

eign ministry said.

stepping down.

region.

were raised after a meeting

this week in Moscow with Mr

With separatist sentiment Communist Party to retract its rising in the Baltic republies and unrest sweeping through Azerbaijan, Pre-sident Gorbachov struck back last night, replacing the Communist Party chief in the Iranian borenclave

Nakhichevan. The move showed the Soviet leader's determination to regain control in the southern region, as he prepares to confront the

Baltic challenge. With the once proud Communist parties of Eastern Europe already fading into history, he faces the most serious threat yet to the territorial integrity of the Soviet

He will travel to Lithnania on Wednesday in an attempt to persuade the republic's

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#### **Inquiry** on water

By Our City Staff

Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Trade Secretary, has referred holdings in two small water companies to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

The stakes are 29 per cent in Mid Kent, held by the British offshoot of Compagnie Générale des Eaux of France, and 25 per cent in Mid Sussex, held by Southern Water. Under the Water Act, the DTI must refer any "merger" where both parties control a water enterprise with assets exceeding £30 million. Details, page 17

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Thursday for a mass meeting in Nakhichevan and burned recent declaration of independence. It will be the first trip to copies of Pravda and Izvestia Vilnius by any Communist Party leader since Lenin. to protest the way they covered events."After

Algirdas Brazauskas, the destroyed on December 31." Lithuanian party chief. Mr Ragimov said the body According to Lithuanian sources, Mr Gorbachov then of a former leading activist of the Azerbaijani Popular Front, a local radical group, gave assurances that force would not be used to end the had also been found.

Local activists and Azerbaijani officials have expressed disbelief at accounts in the central Soviet press vhich they say exaggerate the border trouble and imply it was inspired by a resurgence

direction of the border and

ripped up what had not been

Azerbaijani activists dismiss the reports as an attempt to discredit the Popular Front, which has played an increas-ingly important role in public life. The region was on Thursday closed to foreign

Mr Agayev, spokesman for the republic's foreign min-istry, ascribed the troubles largely to local people's desire to use farm land within the border area and for closer ties with relatives across the Iranian frontier.

A delegation of senior Com-munist Party offficials was in Nakhichevan last night on a



talk from Baku that about Gerbachov: striking back as pressure grows at home

#### **Bond may sell control** of his master company

By Angela Mackay

Mr Alan Bond, the Australian confirmed yesterday that there businessman with debts of \$Aus6 billion (nearly £3 billion) who is facing receivership, has begun talks with a Pacific International and its Singapore company about the US subsidiary, Weatherby. sale of a controlling interest in A cash injection of about Bond Corp Holdings, his master company, for a maximum purchase price of \$Aus250 million.

Negotiations depend on the resolution of the receivership

had been talks between Mr Bond and Mr Jeff Reynolds, the chairman of California

A cash injection of about \$Aus250 million would dilute Mr Bond's 52 per cent stake in Bond Corp and allow control to pass to CPL Shares in Bond Corp were suspended last week at 13 cents (Australian)

However, the FA made it

The FA Disciplinary Committee will appoint a threeman commission from its 25 members to hear the charges. aware of any of today's

Lou Macari: Has to respond It will have the power to fine developments. I will talk

Mr Hillier refused to

Mr Macari, now manager of

the individuals from the quay but not about anything

"Swindon Town, its chairman no suggestion that Mr Hillier, Brian Hillier and former manager Lou Macari are charged that they were in reach of Rule 26 a4 in relation to an alleged bet placed on the club's FA Cup tie against Newcastle in January, 1988. They are requested to respond within 14 days indicating whether they require a personal hearing."

Officials and players are forbidden to bet except on authorized pools.

# Noriega held in secret underground cell



A US Justice Department's "mug shot" of General Manuel Noriega in detention in Miami.

# Haggling by defence may hold up trial

From Charles Bremner, Miami

cell in Miami yesterday as US prosecutors sought to bring fresh charges to help bolster a drug case that threatens to turn into one of the messiest and most protracted in American history.

With General Noriega's year the start of the so-called 'trial of the century", the Bush administration was also reported to be considering a deal under which he could incriminate top figures in the Colombian drug trade in return for reduced charges.

His legal team, headed by Mr Frank Rubino, a leading powder lawyer", as the cocaine attornies are known, complained that the security blanket around the captured general was so tight that even they were not being told of his vhereabouts.

However police sources in Miami said the former "maximum leader" was being held in a 10 by 12 foot cell known

General Manuel Noriega sat the federal courthouse in the alone in a secret underground centre of Miami. Tunnels connect the cell with the court of Judge William Hoeveler. who is presiding over the case.

The room has a beci, a television and a lavatory. Its door is not visible to other occupants, who are usually felons participating in the lawyers mounting an intricate federal Witness Protection defence that could delay for a Programme, the scheme that provides secret new identities for those who help the prosecution.

The general, who is showing in captivity all his renowned resilience, was likely to be moved to another secret prison, possibly in another state, over the weekend pending further court appearances.

The government prosecutors were reported by legal sources in Miami yesterday to be ploughing through sheaves of files of memos and financial records seized by US forces when they stormed Noriega's headquarters last month. They are hoping to find material for new charges or fresh evidence to back up the

Continued on page 16, col 6

# ulance chief may face court action

By Tim Jones, Employment in support of the life saving

Mr Roger Poole, chief negotiator for unions in the ambulance dispute, could face legal action and big claims for compensation if industry is disrupted by workers responding to his call for a 15-minute stoppage later this month, two employers' organizations said

yesterday. The warnings, from the Confederation of British In-dustry and the Institute of Directors, came as the inner cabinet of the TUC said it warmly supports this call to

Both organizations warned of the possible serious consequences in spite of Mr Poole's request to workers only to take action with their employers consent and to do nothing that would endanger health or safety.

There were fears that in spite of that qualification, some workers would feel compelled to join the stoppage on January 30 whether their

employers agreed or not, With no end in sight to the bitter 17-week dispute, the call

the whole nation to respect of for widespread support from period of national conscience workers in industries not in- player who is not involved in

among crews could lead to the union losing control of members unless a settlement was The institute said the move "takes us back to the pre-1979

industrial jungle at a time when British industry is fighting to maintain jobs and profits". It said: "Mr Poole's call call to employees to take 15 minutes off work whether or not they are involved in the dispute is an inducement to them to break their contracts of employment. Any em-

volved in the dispute came as the dispute who suffers loss as law, workers who take second-Mr Poole and his colleagues a result therefore appears to be any action without the consent

> The view was reinforced by the CBI, which claimed the of pay. planned action "appears to be resorting to tactics which were last employed in the 1970s". The CBI said "engendering

widespread disruption, however shortlived, can only cause harm, particularly if continuous process industries are involved". It said: "There may also be a

danger that individuals not concerned with the dispute are being encouraged to act in an unlawful way.'

Under present employment

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selective dismissal or the loss However, the Department

of Employment said that because of Mr Poole's qualification "we would be entering a very grey area of the law". Mr Norman Willis, general

secretary of the TUC, said he expected many forms of action by workers and a lot of cooperation from employers. An elderly woman was knocked down and killed by an Army ambulance on its way to an emergency call at Walsall West Midlands, yesterday.

# Petrol price rise attacked as ploy

The big oil companies were benchers, said their "greed" accused yesterday of launching a "pre-emptive strike" by the Government to stop them putting up pump prices shortly before publication of a pirates". Monopolies and Mergers Commission report into their petrol retailing activities.

Ridley, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, on December 20 and is likely to be published, with the Government's response, within a few weeks.

Against the background of be critical of the companies, four-star petrol. Conservative and Labour MPs bitterly denounced the robber barons".

Another, Mr James Pawsey,

would increase the pressure on acting like "old-fashioned He found the timing "a

remarkable coincidence. The criticism came after Esso The Commission report raised the price of its four-star was sent to Mr Nicholas petrol by 5.5p a gallon, and BP followed suit with a 3.2p a gallon increase in four-star from midnight tomorrow Both firms also announced 2.7p per gallon increases in diesel, which overall has risen 20 per cent in the last year and speculation that the report will is now more expensive than

Esso blamed the very cold weather in the United States increases with one leading and a number of other factors Tory branding the industry for the increases. Gas oil prices on the Rotterdam spot market had risen 60 per cent.

Labour said the rises were

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#### action initiated by Mr Bond's a member of the influential - capitalizing the company at almost \$Aus55 million. executive of the 1922 com- not justified and predicted mittee of Conservative back- others would soon follow. A Bond Corp spokesman Talks on control, page 17 FA accuses Macari of betting breach By John Goodbody

Sports News Correspondent game.

to disciplinary commission. or suspend, possibly for life, about the game against Tor-

The Football Association yes-

Town, Mr Lou Macari, its former manager, and Mr Brian Hillier, its chairman, with a breach of rules relating to unauthorized betting. The charge relates to an

alleged bet placed on a FA Cup tie in January, 1988, when Swindon was beaten 5-0 by Newcastle United.

terday charged Swindon clear yesterday that there was Mr Macari or anyone at Swindon had been involved in fixing the result of the match.

> West Ham, was in Torquay yesterday preparing for a FA Cup tie today. He said only: "I knew about the problems when it was first announced a few months ago. But I am not

The FA statement read:

The FA started its inquiry after evidence in The People. Fall report, page 45

# Civil Service union objects to code on 'complete loyalty'

The Government is to insist that a new code of conduct for Whitehall includes a phrase saying that civil servants owe it complete loyalty, despite objections from the Association of First Division Civil

The union, which represents 8,000 senior officials in the Civil Service and tax inspectorate, opposes a clause in the code which says that for "all practical purposes" civil servants answer to the Government of the day.

The association wants the clause to say "for most practical purposes" - a small difference of wording which the union believes is necessary to accommodate a civil servant who considered that the Crown but for all practical ministers were behaving unreasonably or even illegally.

The wording the Govern-ment is insisting on was coined two-and-a-half years ago by Lord Armstrong of Ilminster, then head of the Civil Service, in the wake of the Ponting affair.

Margaret Thatcher, he wrote a perfect occasionally. public memorandum on civil

tions after the acquittal of Mr Clive Ponting, the Ministry of Defence official, on official secrets charges after the leak-ing of classified material.

Since the acquittal of Mr year of the Official Secrets Act, which involved the repeal of Section Two of the previous Act. Outside the area

Since then new procedures for conscience-stricken civil servants to appeal to the head of the Civil Service have been put into effect.

Members of the association in several Whitehall departments said yesterday the issue

Leading article.....

would certainly not lead to industrial action, but that civil servants remained unhappy with Lord Armstrong's formula. In his memorandum he said that civil servants served purposes that meant ministers in charge of their departments.

Ms Liz Symonds, the association's general secretary, said civil servants had a duty of confidentiality but seems likely that there will be "we owe the absolute duty to a meeting between the associthe Crown and Parliament, not to ministers, who have With the agreement of Mrs been known to be less than

The drafting of a new code servants' lovalties and obliga- of conduct results from the

#### up for low paid, says Meacher

The income tax and national insurance burden of those on less than average incomes has increased over the past de-cade, according to figures released yesterday by Mr Michael Meacher, Labour's social security spokesman. of national security and cer-At the same time, tax on the tain other categories, civil servants no longer face crim-

inal prosecution if they leak

be restated in a disciplinary

code, and has delayed im-

plementing the new Act until

It seems now that it will go

ahead with the code even if the

association objects. Discus-

sions between it and the

Cabinet Office, and the other

civil service unions, have been

going on for six months. The Cabinet Office said last night

the new code would be pub-

Although no formal talks

have yet been scheduled, it seems likely that there will be

ation's leaders and Sir Robin

Butler, head of the Civil

press for an inquiry into the

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The Government wants

very rich has been dramatically reduced, so that tax and national insurance has been almost halved for someone on ten times average earnings. civil servants' obligations to "After the Thatcher decade

is now a commonplace that the gap between rich and poor is widening. But the breakneck pace at which it is widening has not been previously analysed or recognized," he said. Using figures extracted

from government departments in a series of written parliamentary questions, Mr Meacher says that for a married man with two children on 75 per cent average earnings, income tax and NI increased from 14.6 per-cent in 1979 to 16.9 per cent ten years later. For those on half average earnings the burden rose from 2.5 per cent to 6.8 per cent.

However, those on ten times average earnings, have seen their bill reduced from 65.6 per cent to 37.1.

# Tax burden | Seabird saved from oil slick



Joanne Partridge and her father Mr Ken Partridge using a toothbrosh yesterday to clean up a guillemot, one of the victims of Channel pollution. They run an oiled hird unit for the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at their home in Plymstock, Plymouth.

#### Only four applicants for top police job

Only four applications have been received for the £55,600 a year post of Chief Constable of the West Midlands, one of the top jobs in British policing. It may have to be re-advertised in an attempt to find a successor to Mr Geoffrey Dear, who leaves

Members of the police authority expressed surprise and

vestigation into alleged com-aption within the forces isbanded serious crime squ may have deterred

The authority had invited plications from only serving chief constables or officers of equivalent rank, such as nissioners in the Metro-

politan Police. It said that a only a sea officer with experience could fill the vacancy in the force, one of the three top forces, with nearly 7,000 officers.

A shortlisting panel will meet on Monday. A front runner is considered to be Mr. David O'Dowd, aged 47, Chie Constable

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#### **NEWS ROUNDUP**

#### **Broadcasting Bill** 'a threat to Scots'

The Broadcasting Bill, which begins its committee stage at Westminster next week, threatens Scottish culture and identity, Mr Robert Maclennan, the Liberal Democrat MP for Caithness and Sutherland, said yesterday.

Mr Maclennan, the party's spokesman on broadcasting, said at a Glasgow conference that television executives based in London seemed to think Scottish broadcasting meant nothing more than "the annual Hogmanay show" English domination, perpetuated in the bill, would "diminish the quality, quantity and range of Scottish made programmes" he said.

The bill does not even allow for a Scottish member of the Independent Television Commission". The bill did not

even mention Scotland, he said. Mr Maclennan said that he would seek to amend the bill in the interests of Scotland and also called on the Government to locate the headquarters of the proposed new Channel Five franchise in Edinburgh.

#### New judge installed

Mr Michael Bruce, QC, was yesterday installed as a judge in the Scottish supreme courts. He has taken the judicial title of Lord Marnoch, marking his roots in north-east Scotland. Lord Marnoch, aged 51, the son of an Aberdeen solicitor, attended Aberdeen University. He replaces Lord Brand,

aged 66, who retired recently.

Sheriff Gordon Nicholson, QC, the new Sheriff Principal for the Lothians was welcomed to his post yesterday at Edinburgh Sheriff Court by civic dignitaries. He succeeds Mr Frederick O'Brien, QC, who has retired.

#### Meningitis deaths

A twin boy three months old and a girl aged eight have died of meningitis in the West Midlands (Craig Seton writes). Kerion Meegan, died after being taken ill at his home with bacterial meningitis. In Birmingham, medical officers urged hospitals and general practitioners to watch for the disease after the death of a girl, aged eight, of meningococcal meningitis, the strain involved in an outbreak affecting dozens of people in Gloucestershire three years ago.

#### Disc industry anger

The British Phonographic Industry has reacted angrily to a Consumers' Association report alleging that record companies use false arguments on research, development and production costs to charge high prices for compact discs (Libby Jukes writes). Profits at 10 per cent of retail price are longer than the business of the DDI said. It appears than many in high-risk businesses, the BPI said. It accuses Which? of factual errors, and says there has been a drop in real terms of 40 per cent since their introduction in 1983.

#### Irish lottery defended

Claims by Irish social welfare bodies that poor people in the Claims by insh social wenare booles that poor people in the republic spend too much on the weekly state lottery are disputed by consultants engaged by the National Lottery. They report that charity fund-raising has not been badly harmed by the lottery, which started three years ago, with sighter covering \$1 and reports competings exceeding \$1 tickets costing £1 and payouts sometimes exceeding £1 million. Unemployed people tended to stake less than £2 a week. Small farmers spent most.

#### Pension fund's Old Masters for US sale

British Rail pensioners will be of the investment h watching the art market closely next week when 64 of their Old Master drawings go on sale at Sotheby's New York. The past three months has

een an exhilarating time for the fund, which is roughly halfway through disposing of its £40 million stake in fine art, about 1 per cent of its investment portfolio, acquired with the advice of Sotheby's between 1974 and 1980.

The latest figures show that even taking inflation into account it has had a 6.5 per cent

#### SALEROOM By John Shaw

profit as at the end of Novem er. That was before its spectacular Tang dynasty horse, estimated at £1 million, sold for a world auction record of £3.74 million last month.

The fund said yesterday: "We are satisfied with the results so far, but it is clearly impossible to give a final answer until the whole port-folio has been dispersed."

A booming art market has belped fund managers achieve good prices. About 66 per cent

six main areas of the market. Three are left: antiquities, works of art and Old Masters. A series of 20 drawings by Federico Juccaro, depicting the early life of his brother Taddeo, the 16th-century Ital-

ian artist, will be the highlight of Sotheby's Old Master drawing sale on Thursday. The set, sold for 17 shillings in 1860, will be offered as one lot, is estimated at \$2.25 million to\$2.7 million.

"We are anxious to sell them as a complete set because one drawing follows on naturally from the other and is devoted to the artist's early life," Sotheby's said. The group will otherwise be sold separately as individual lots.

CORRECTION Timothy Smith and Robert

Andrews were not sentenced for making pirated copies of compact discs as stated on Thursday, Mr Smith admitted conspiracy to contravene the 1956 Copyright Act regarding one track of an unreleased Prince album. Mr Andrews admitted making the same Prince album available for sale or hire in record form.



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ities had increased during the dispute, but several said they were worried about the affect on patients of waiting an hour or more before a police or Army vehicle in a of the field The state of the s "The real problem is the tremendous mental suffering and stress patients suffer as they are left on the roadside

The desired January Company waiting for someone to come" Mr Hugh Millington, head of the accident and 10:00 to his miles of 10:00 to his health with health he emergency department at Charing Cross Hospital in Fulham said. Dr Williams said that 36 people sent to his casualty unit had died since the action began compared with 28 during the same SERVICE TO AS COME

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period last year. He said: "Any single death that might be attributed to problems during the dispute is a cause of great concern. engiver servers g follows in the the other me

In one case a man who had been stabled almost certainly would have survived if he had been brought to hospital earlier, as the first hour after injury, was the most critical period when lives could be saved by expert intervention, he said. The delayed response had meant that the patient arrived at the casualty department at St Thomas's 70 minutes after his injury. He said: "That Patient could have survived."

Other accident and emergency specialists in London reported no significant change in their fatalities total.

"Patients often face hage delays and are perhaps in a worse condition than otherwise when they arrive, but they do not actually die," Mr Millington said. otherwise when they arrive, but they do not actually die," Mir Millington said.

The police, the Army and the ambalance service say they are coping.

The police of the Army and the ambalance service say they are coping.

Cancer victim killed two

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# Coroner calls for gun club checks after triple shooting

range and was in a doorway.

him to put the gun down.

sorry'," said Mr Bancroft.

Crack had passed Mr Aliman

The inquest heard that Crack, who had Hodgkin's

disease, a form of cancer,

turned up at Mr Savage's

home, at Great Moor, Stock-

She had later heard scream-

When she had refused and left

with Mr Redmond, according

to the prosecution, Mr Brown

started smashing up virtually

every piece of glass in the flat,

£800 before leaving, taking a

picture of Mrs Longden as a

baby, a gold brooch, a watch

Later, Mr Redmond was

recalled to the witness stand.

A tape recording was played of

a 999 call he made to police.

On it, he had said: "We have

apart, he's not invited and he

is threatening violence to the

Mr Redmond said Mr

Brown had made no threat of

violence towards Mrs Long-

den, although he insisted the

MP had thrown a glass at him.

from British Rail which, Mr.

Redmond agreed, showed he

could not have arrived at St

Leonards Warrior Square sta-

tion at about 6.20pm, as he

had claimed, but at 7.46pm at

Mr Rees disclosed that Mr

Brown would not give evidence. The defence case,

which consisted of a British

Rail witness confirming the

train arrival times, lasted less

the earliest.

woman who owns the flat."

and a pair of earrings.

ng damage of almost

wives and children.

mother let him in.

down the street.

Police vetting of potential gun another hurdle would have been issued with a revolver. he had a maximum of three dub members was called for had to be climbed before he by a coroner yesterday at the gained possession of a gun for inquest into three deaths that a scheme I believe he had been occurred when a gunman planning for some time." dying of cancer shot dead

another member of his gun

club and a former workmate

Peter Revington, the Man-

chester South coroner, at the

Peter Crack, aged 30, and his

Crack shot dead Mr Duncan

Allman, aged 31, a computer

programmer, at the Stockport Shooting Centre, and then

drove to the home of Mr

Howard Savage, aged 27, a

former colleague whom he

disliked and resented, and left

Recording a verdict of sui-

cide on Crack and verdicts of

and Mr Savage, the coroner

called for a review of regula-tions covering membership of gun clubs and the use of firearms on shooting ranges.

Mr Revington said that Mr

James Anderton, Chief Constable of Greater Manchester,

and the area's police authority

were pressing for tighter con-

trels. He could not help

thinking that Mr Anderton

had a "very substantial point

Mr Revington said: "If

Crack had to have a gun

licence, it might just have

been different - I don't know.

It could have been that at least

told police after his arrest that

he had gone to his former

lover's flat in an attempt to

recover possessions that could

"compromise" his political

career, Lewes Crown Court

Ron Brown, aged 49, MP for Edinburgh, Leith, denies smashing windows, mirrors

and glasses in the flat at St

Leonards, East Sussex, and of stealing items of her jewellery

On the fourth day of the

trial before Judge Gower, QC,

the jury listened to a tape re-

cording of a police interview

hours after the alleged inci-

dent last April. The MP said

his three-year affair with Mrs

Nonna Longden, his former

previous month, had become

Mr Edward Rees, for Mr

Longden was in possession of "politically sensitive tapes"

In the police interview, Mr

Brown said: "I only wanted

what she's got which could be compromising to me. When-ever I go into the chamber (of

the Commons), I'm asked about the relationship.

are vulnerable and she's got

certain things I want back

"She knows full well MPs

the talk of the Commons.

belonging to Mr Brown.

assistant, which had ended the bathroom as Mr Redmond

Brown, had suggested Mrs damage he might have caused

was told yesterday.

in the public interest".

him dying in the street.

two victims last October.

The call came from Mr

before killing himself.

After the shootings, the Home Office announced plans for new controls on clubs, now under discussion. They would end temporary or day membership schemes at clubs; require applicants for probinquest into the deaths of ationary membership to be supported by two club members, and apply greater con-

trols to probationers. At the inquest, Mr Derek Bancroft, the gun club owner, said that Crack, a former clothing factory worker, of Audenshaw, Manchester, had paid £75 to join the club three months before the killings and had visited it about five times.

Mr Bancroft said that Crack had visited the club on the unlawful killing on Mr Allman night of October 19 and had



Mrs Denise Crack before

MP alleged former lover

could compromise career

By David Sapsted

had refused, smashed up the

Mr Brown said during the

interview that it was Mr Dermot Redmond, Mrs Long-

den's new boy friend, who had caused the damage. He said:

"The boy friend just blew his

top. He was a very angry man. He thought I was trying to resuscitate the relationship.

Quite wrong. Mrs Longden no doubt wanted the relationship

to remain. He thought I was

some sort of threat to him."

as Mr Redmond went for him.

He said he had ducked and

dived all around the flat and had tried to escape into the

smashed the windows and

mirrors as he chased the MP.

Mr Brown said the only

was when he tried to escape

Mr Redmond, who did not

catch him, he said, because he

was a "slow, ponderous guy".

Longden had "facetiously" stuffed two pairs of her under-pants into his raincoat pocket.

She had returned a tape recorder and keys but had not

given back his tapes and other

The Crown has alleged that

from her." Mr Brown denied Mr Brown arrived unexpect- than 10 minutes. The case suggestions he had gone to the edly at the flat, had been continues on Monday.

documents, he said.

Mr Brown had said that Mrs

home in a fit of pique.

Mr Bancroft - while talking to months to live.

the rangemaster, Mr Tony Healy, his son-in-law — had She said: "He always kept his emotions under control. seen that Crack had left the He would talk to me about his problems, but he would keep Mr Healy had then told them private from other Crack that he was not allowed people.

to leave the range and had told On the night of the shootings he had dressed and "He then pointed the gun at gone out, refusing to tell her Tony Healy and said "I am where he was going.

Mrs Crack said that the Mr Healy had dived behind previous year, he had told her that Mr Savage had tried to get counter. Mr Allman, of Bramhall, Stockport, a memhim the sack from the factory ber, had been in the club shop. in Stockport where they both worked as pleaters, before her and then turned and fired at husband left because of his him. Mr Allman had doubled illness. She thought he disup, saying: "The bastard's liked Mr Savage, but would not describe it as a grudge.

shot me, call an ambulance." Mr Bancroft said that he She had not known that loaded a .38 calibre Smith and Crack had joined a gun club, Wesson and pursued Crack, although she knew he had who fired six times at him as discussed the idea with a he fled through the club bar, friend. where there were 24 members, The

The inquest heard that Crack killed himself with one shot to the chest after breaking into the empty house of a friend, Mr Michael McKay, at Heald Green, Manchester.

Mr McKay, a chartered accountant, said that he had port, where Mr Savage's been a friend of both Crack and Mr Savage since boyhood.Crack had become deing outside. Mr Savage had died from shots to his head pressed when his treatment and stomach after walking for cancer was declared

unsuccessful. Mrs Denise Crack told the Mr McKay said Crack had shown resentment when told coroner that her husband that Mr Savage planned to became depressed after chemotherapy treatment. Weeks take A-levels and go to univerbefore the killings he was told sity for a business degree.

#### Victoria on anniversary stamps

Queen Victoria's head will appear on an issue of stamps to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Penny Black.

A portrait of Queen Victoria, which was used on the original Penny Black, will appear behind the usual portrait of the Queen on the stamps which will be issued from next Wednesday.

Queen Victoria's portrait will be slightly smaller and "almost as if it were a double image", the Royal Mail said.

The stamps (a 20p is pic-tured below) will be available in all the usual amounts up to

Mr Brown, who agreed with in our flat an intruder. It's Sir Rowland Hill designed the first pre-paid letter sheet in 1540. As an afterthought he suggested using an adhesive label incorporating an official stame.

● The 1p charity surcharge on first-class Christmas stamps has raised £500,000 so far and when all 21,000 Post Offices have made their returns the Mr Rees presented evidence figure is expected to be close to £1 million.



#### Ambulance dispute

a police officer that he was a important you know he's a

calm, placid man, said he was well-known character, very "dazed virtually concussed" drunk, he's tearing the place

# London doctors condemn suffering

By Paul Wilkinson, Jill Sherman and Nicholas Watt

but it is obvious they are not." His department recorded a drop in the total of deaths for the period, from 37 to 20, despite taking the increased workload caused by the closure of St Stephens' casualty unit in Chelsea. Casualty doctors in the Lendon area are concerned about the delays in getting patients to hospital since the start of the ance pay dispute. They discounted suggestions by Dr David Williams, the head of St Thomas hospital casualty department, that fatal-

In the case of emergencies like heart attacks, help needed to be on the scene within minutes for a good chance of survival. "Even under normal circumstances that just does not occur" he said.

"It is the cases of medical trauma, as in road accidents when a patient is massively injured and needs supplies of blood immediately, that the problem of the delay arise.

Dr Howard Baderman, head of the accident and emergency department at University College Hospital said no deaths in his department could be attributed to the dispute. He said delays

• The real problem is the mental suffering

had increased as a result of the dispute and many patients were suffering from the lack of appropriate equipment and the relative inexperience of staff. "Many patients have been in extreme

pain because the Army and police cannot dminister pain killing gases," he said. Dr Pamela Nash, head of the accident and emergency department at Hillingdon hospital in Uxbridge, said: "I wholeheartedly agree with my colleagues at the

Casualty Surgeons' Association. "Our general impression is that the mbulance dispute is having a serious

"But we have not collated figures of delays in patients arriving by ambalance because our workload is so variable they might mislead."

Dr Anne McGuiness, head of the

accident and emergency department at the Royal Free Hospital, said she was "guarded" about linking deaths with the ambulance dispute.

She said that at this time of year the mber of deaths can double or quadruple if there is a cold spell and that any study into death rates would have to look at the temperatures for the period

Mr Jeremy Booth, head of West-minster Hospital's accident and emer-gency department said there was nothing "crashingly obvious" about the death figures during the dispute, but there were ordinate delays" in patients getting to

Dr David Skinner, head of the casualty department at St Bartholomew's Hospital in the City said he was concerned that people were being brought into accident and emergency departments dead, by the police and Army, where no attempt has been made at ressucitation.

"If a 40 year old collapses on the streets after a heart attack and is then seen by a policeman or an Army man they will assume he is dead and make the appropriate arrangements for a dead person," Dr Skinner said. "An ambulanceman however would

have realized that the man had suffered from a heart attack and could potentially be fully resuscitated and would then use the proper skills and equipment to do

He said: "I have no doubt that there is an increase in morbidity and mortality as a result of this dispute.

Major General Norman Kirby at Guy's Hospital casualty department blamed the delays on the time taken for calls to be processed by police and ambulance control. He was head of surgery with the Royal Army Medical Corps before going into civilian practice.



Mr John Wertheim (left), studying history, and Mr Matt Wolf, studying political science, both of Yale University, strolling in Kelvingrove Park, Glasgow, yesterday after winning the 1990 world student debating championships in Glasgow. Their motion was "Ich Bin Ein" Berliner". The Yale team received the Guinness Silver Quaich from the Princess Royal.

#### PORTFOLIO Prize pays for party or holiday

Three winners shared yes-terday's £2,000 Portfolio

Mrs Dorothy Roberts, a computer operator from Watford, Hertfordshire, said ber win was marvellons. She will use the money either on a party for her silver wedding appiversary, or on a summ holiday in Switzerland,

Mrs Ivy French, from Pembury, near Tumbridge Wells in Kent, said she has played Portfolio since it started because she enjoys playing with figures.

The other winner was Mrs Joan Illingworth, from Stockport, Cheshire.

#### **Imprisoned** mother can appeal

By Ruth Gledhill

The unmarried mother who was sent to jail with her 10-week-old baby by Judge Pickles was yesterday given leave to appeal against her sentence. Tracey Scott, aged 19, of Huddersfield, West York-shire, was denied bail by Mr

the Court of Appeal in Central London. She was granted an expedited appeal, probably to

Justice Judge in chambers at

take place on January 15. Afterwards Mr Kenneth Green, Miss Scott's solicitor,

said he was not surprised that

bail was refused. He said that for Miss Scott to have come out of prison on bail only to be sent back if the appeal failed would have in-

creased her trauma. The judge also asked for transcripts of comments Judge Pickles made before Miss Scott was sentenced earlier this week to six months' youth custody on 10 theft charges.

#### Hillsborough policeman to face inquiry

By Peter Davenport

The actions of the most senior police officer present at the Hillsborough football stadium on the day 95 Liverpool fans were crushed to death on the terraces is to be investigated formally, it was disclosed yesterday.

Members of the South Yorkshire Police Authority decided that a complaint about Mr Walter Jackson, who was assistant chief constable in charge of operations at the time of the disaster. vision of the Police Complaints Au- to swarm on to the crowded terraces.

thority. Their action follows a letter to the authority from Mr Trevor Hicks, of Pinner, Middlesex, the father of two teenage girls who died in the crush on the Leppings Lane terraces.

According to a statement by the South Yorkshire Police Authority yesterday, Mr Hicks alleged that Mr Jackson may have colluded with Chief Supt David Duckenfield, the officer in operational command at the ground, in telling football representatives "a false story concerning the opening of a gate at the

A limited issue:

Mr Jackson was transferred in August last year to take responsibility for management services within the force looking after, among other things, finance, catering and buildings.

Chief Supt Duckenfield, who has since admitted misleading his superior officer and football officials about the cause of the disaster, has been suspended from duty since the publication of the report of the inquiry into the disaster by Lord Justice Taylor in August.

West Midlands Police are investigatshire officers during the disaster.

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# at pay bonus plan to solve staff shortages

A revolution in teachers' pay was heralded yesterday when Mr John MacGregor, Section 19 pay schemes which allow the was heralded yesterday when Mr John MacGregor, Sec-retary of State for Education targeting of additional pay-ments to meet specific needs and Science, said he wanted onuses to be paid to specialare the right way to address

"Schools will have to get used to the idea of differential The changes in pay scales have already been resisted by pay, perhaps through use of in short supply, as in many other occupations," he said. believe that as all teachers do fundamentally the same job they should be paid on the same scale. Some union lead-Mr MacGregor told the North of Education Education Conference that he was waiters believe it could result in ing for detailed proposals from the Interim Advisory bad teachers in certain subjects being paid more than good teachers in others. Committee on Teachers' Pay Already about 40 per cent of

on extra payments to teachers in shortage subjects. The committee's report on teachers receive extra allowances but in most cases they teachers' pay for this year is are for increased respon-due in the next few weeks but sibility. Yesterday was the Mr MacGregor expected it to agree to pay extra allowances committed itself so firmly to to teachers of science, mathedifferential pay as a means of matics, technology and modern languages. He said that geography and history might be included in future.

Mr MacGregor told the shortage and claimed the Government.

conference in Newcastle upon erament was already taking

steps to deal with specific We must maintain our

share of young graduates. We must attract mature people into teaching from other ca-The call for differential pay

scales was immediately attacked by union leaders at the rence. Mr John Horn, president of the secondary heads association, said: "It is unworkable. You are going to create a situation where tea ers of some subjects will be drawn to work in an area for which they are not properly qualified in the hope of getting

Mr Doug McAvoy, general secretary of the National Union of Teachers, said: "It culum will require every subject to be taught effectively. If you pay one subject teacher better than another you are hardly likely to encourage those who are not receiving extra payments just because

#### Annual reports made obligatory

For the first time every school in England and Wales will be expected to issue annual reports on all pupils, under new regulations announced at the conference (David Tytler writes).

Mr MacGregor said that "a high proportion" of primary schools and some seco schools failed to provide any reports at all. The new-style reports will be issued next summer and will have to record children's progress in every aspect of the National Curricult

In addition, at the ages of seven, 11, 14 and 16 schools will have to provide parents with details of their children's regular asses tests, which are part of the curriculu Mr MacGregor said the formal requiredid not want to impose undue extra burdens on staff; training would be provided. It had yet to be decided whether reports would be written on ndard forms although Mr MacGregor said this had definite advantages.

Schools are being asked to plan the best way to provide reports that cover the range of lessons and other related activities in or out of school. "It is important to give schools and local authorities the chance to design and evaluate their own systems and to modify them in the light of experience. Schools will certainly want to keep track of pupils' progress in the curriculum," Mr MacGregor said.

# School unions angry The original Beatle who forsook music



Above, Stuart Sutcliffe (left) with other Beatles, including Pete Best (right), the group's first draphotographer, Below, Miss Pauline Sutcliffe, the artist's sister, with a painting showing John Lennor



Sutcliffe, the original bar guitarist with the Beatle

gnitarist with the meaner, opens at Sotheby's George Street Gallery, central London, on Monday.

Succliffe, who died of a brain tumour aged 21 in 1962, chose art when he could not stand the strain of studying by day and playing with the grevery night.

Born in Edinburgh, he met thin Leanon while they were of Art in 1957. He becau base guitarist with Lemou's group, Johnny and the Moon-dogs, and played with the group at the Top Ten Clah, Hamburg, after it changed its manus to the Silver Burtley name to the Silver Beatles.

However, the young artist because dislinationed and said he never wanted to paint again. He was personied to enter the Hamburg State Art College, where he stayed until a month

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His sister, Miss Pauline Satcliffe, sald: "I don't think it was a difficult decision for him to give up music for art. But it was more than that. There were close friendships, particularly with John Leanon and an interesting life.'

in New York in 1981, features in an early oil painting of stadents at Liverpool College of Art. Also on show photographs and letters.

# **Warning** as ship is

Ships in the English Channel were warned yesterday to give wide berth to a 7,000-tonne bulk carrier after it was abandoned (Robin Young writes).

abandoned

Two Royal Navy helicopters helped to evacuate 22 crewmen from the Panamanian-registered Pioneer Sea 25 miles west of Ushant, France, early yesterday.

The captain was taken to a French hospital suffering from the effects of smoke. The ship Dutch tug.

The RSPCA sent a special-

ist unit yesterday to treat about 300 sea birds coated in crude oil which were washed ashore near Looe, Cornwall. The RSPCA said the oil was

washed up by recent storms. "About 90 per cent of the victims are guillemots, but there are some cormorants and gannets as well," it said. Some were being cleaned on

the spot. Others were being housed until they recovered, but many were beyond help.

#### Scheme to recruit foreign teachers judged a success

By Douglas Broom, Education Reporter

A scheme to solve the shortage of teachers in East London by recruiting foreign teachers is to be stepped up after receiving a glowing end of term report from parents and school principals.

Figures from the Inner London Education Authority show that of 60 Dutch, four Danish and 11 Berbadian teachers recruited in September, only three have given up

The authority plans to appoint a further 40 Dutch teachers in the New Year and is to launch a recruitment campaign in Bangladesh.

Parents, many of whom were at first critical of what was seen as an initiative horn of desperation, are pleased with the stability the foreign teachers have brought. In the past, classes had become used to changing teachers two or three times a term. There also has been praise for their commitment in tackling the

The school, a former rectary at Chawleigh, Devon, has 58 boarders, children of devotees

of the garn from all over the world who pay £3,750 a year.

by the DES last year after investigations by the schools

Mr MacGregor can shut down an independent school or withdraw registration, which

closure.However, yesterday the school was given an

endorsement by the parents of

the dead boy, who live in Western Australia; they are to send a second child there.

Earlier this week the North

Devon coroner Mr Brian Hall-

Tomkin recorded a verdict of

accidental death on Nicholas,

who was found hanging from a swing after an argument with a

meaa

The school was registered

problems of difficult East End London boroughs on April 1 schools. A spokesman for the still has more than 1,000 Ilea said: "We are very pleased teaching vacancies. with the way it has worked out, although we got a lot of stick at the start. We want to

hand over a going concern when Ilea is abolished." The authority, which is due to hand over its schools and colleges to the 13 inner



This year, a team of Ilea officials is to recruit teachers in Bangladesh with the blessing of the Department of Education, which has agreed to a formula for recognizing their qualifications. Miss Yvonne Hargreaves,

headmistress of Hague Primary School, Bethnal Green, appoint a Dutch teacher, has only praise for Miss Ilona Lether, aged 22, a teacher from Utrecht: "She has proved herself a very professional teacher and the class had the same teacher for the whole term. I have got one class who are already onto their second teacher and we are not out of the first term yet. Stability and continuity are very precious."

Eighteen teachers have resigned from the school in the past two years.

#### **Penalty for** coal-face cider party

Fourteen miners were downgraded yesterday after admitring holding a Christmas party two miles below ground.

The men, mainly top-grade development workers and craftsmen, will face pay cuts for contravening strict rules ning alcohol below grou ins of their celebra-

tion, which included turkey, mince pies and cider, were found during a safety inspecover the Christ The party was held at Deep Navigation Colliery, Trelewis, Mid Glamorgan, on December

22, the last working day before the Christmas shutdown. British Coal said: "The consumption of alcohol below ground is specifically forbidden under mining legislation and there was a clear and admitted breach of the regulations. The men were told they would be downgraded to the lowest grade in their category and warned any future miscon-duct could lead to dismissal."

#### Court fight to compensate 2,500 dismissed fishermen

By Ruth Gledhill

A human rights organization is demanding compensation for thousands of fishermen who lost jobs after the Icelandic cod war in the 1970s. The Wilberforce Council.

named after the slave eman-

cipator William Wilberforce,

plans to take the case to the European Court of Human In a report published today the council is calling for an 1988 is due this month.

for each of the 2,500 fishermen it estimates lost their jobs without compensation or redundancy payments.

According to the report, sent to all members of Par- ceived nothing liament, fishermen did not at first realize they could be through reasons of diplomacy, entitled to redundancy pay- defence strategy, and interments because employment national relations, all totally officials wrongly treated them as "casual" labour.

By the time it became clear

within a year of redundancy. The council said the legal situation is confused and messy because some fishermen have won industrial tribunal cases while others

An appeal decision in a case where two fishermen won their right to redundancy pay at a Hull industrial tribunal in Mr Jack Lenn

director of the Wilberforce Council, said trawler owners received more than £15 million for redundant ships while their dismissed employees re-

"These men lost their jobs defence strategy, and interoutside their control." The council said many were

suffering immense hardship. they could claim, as a result of The cost of compensation a case in 1983, they were could be shared by the Govbarred from applying because erratient, trawler owners and ing, presumed dead.

claims must be submitted the European Community. The National Union of Seamen is to lobby government employment officials to prevent teenagers being offered low-paid jobs through job centres on ships not registered in this country.

A spokesman said the collapse of the fishing industry had meant that young men who wished to work at sea were increasingly limited by the jobs available, forcing many to take dangerous jobs 'flag of convenience' Œ ships.

Mr Sam McCluskie, general secretary of the union, recently cited the case of Mark Rannigan, aged 16, from Jarrow, Tyne and Wear, who obtained a job on the Panamanian-owned freighter the Marine after answering an advertisement in his local job centre.

He and five other British crew members are now miss-

#### Inquiry after death of boy angers staff

By Sam Kiley, Higher Education Reporter

would

Staff at a boarding school run having a "titillating and moraccording to the teachings of bid preoccupation with somethe Indian gurn Bhagwan one else's tragedy".

Shree Rajneesh, where a boy aged 13 was found hanged last at Chawleigh, Devo. month, yesterday reacted angrily to news that the Department of Education and Science is to investigate it.

Mr John MacGregor, the Secretary of State for Education, has called for an urgent report from the Ko Hsuan school into the death of Nicholas Shultz after it was revealed that the teenager had been sharing a bedroom with three other boys and two girls.

Mr MacGregor is particularly concerned that young people were allowed to share dormitories with the opposite sex. The department said such practices were "irregular".

Mr Swami Sharna, pastoral cader of the school, said: "We have absolutely nothing to

By Thomson Prentice Science Correspondent

deserts of long-term unemployclaimed yesterday.

with its riches of opera, theatre, art galleries and museums and new shopping arcades, huge sprawling housing estates were emerging as "cashless societies". Dr Michael Pacione, head of the geography department at Strathclyde University, said. He called for a massive

Speaking at the conference of the Institute of British Geographers in Glasgow, Dr Pacione said that poverty was manifest in the estates ringing the city. "These outer areas are emerging as 'cashless societies' and deserts of long-term unemployment as a result of a combination of global economic restructuring and

Local shops have had to close because of the poverty in the area, restricting the choice of shoppers in already poorly serviced areas such as Easterhouse, Castlemilk and Drum-

Easterhouse, one of the largest housing estates on the fringes of the city, was 33 per cent higher than the figure for Glasgow as a whole.

Deaths in the first year of life in Easterhouse were 46 per 1,000

The increased indebtedness of many families on the estates had led to an increase in rent arrears, absconding, eviction and disconnection of the power supply. In one had been evicted.

"Local resources are insufficient to generate growth on the scale required. Central government's hope of revitalization through capitalism with a social conscience is a chimera," Dr Pacione said. "What is required is a govern-

ment-funded initiative, similar to that directed towards inner-city areas such as the Gorbals and the east end, or the new towns."

"Without this commitment, the peripheral estates are destined to remain the locus of the urban crisis well into the twenty-first century."

entists from 35 countries are attending the conference, the first in the city's year as Cultural Capital of Europe. Sir William Fraser, principal of

Glasgow University, said: "Glasgow is the most fitting venue in western Europe for a conference on urban regeneration and regional development.

"The Scottish Development Agency and Strathclyde Regional Council have worked with the district council and private sector interests towards the renaissance of

#### Child routine clue to drinkers Strict rules imposed on child- and Mr Sibley, a geographer, ing to problems such as al-

ren by their parents at home youngsters growing up to be-come problem drinkers, researchers believe. The theory is that alcohol abuse is an example of

boundaries are set up within families to partition domestic space and constrain activities. Children, for example, might be forbidden to enter a certain room of the house, or told to stay in their own room at specific times. There could be rules about what time they left home, or returned.

"boundary crossing" in which

While some boundaries are erected routinely by parents in the course of child rearing in some circum-stances they can be regarded as oppressive, inducing stress and anxiety," Mr Geoff Lowe and Mr David Sibley say in a paper presented to the conference today.

In such cases, the individuals "react by transgressing, breaking the bounds of acceptable behaviour, for example, by drinking excessively".

Mr Lowe, a psychologist,

carried out a survey among a coholism," group of men and women in yesterday, Hull, Humberside, who were "Experience of rigid domesreceiving counselling for al- tic regimes in childhood and coholism. They found that adolescence may lead to probalmost half those taking part lem behaviour in adoles-

share a bedroom with a brother or sister when they were more than 11 years old.
"What we are suggesting is that the timing and spacing of given that some of those we activities in the home is a surveyed were able to assoreflection of power relation- ciste unhappiness in child-

been hit by government policies under

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Dr Linda

McDowell, an Open University lecturer,

The rising number of lone mothers,

and the predominance of women among

the elderly were examples of what was

becoming known as the "feminization of

poverty", she said. Dr McDowell, of the

"strong boundary enforce-ment" by their parents.

Mr Sibley said

had grown up in families with cence." The theory could be of therapeutic value in encourage ing problem drinkers to talk As children, some had to about their early home lives. "It does appear that ex-ploration of the question of boundaries in the home could

be a useful element of therapy, ships in the family, and that bood with very strong or very domestic routines can be a source of conflict, contribut-

the labour market.

paid jobs primarily aimed at women.

development in new golf courses in Scotland in the next few years could be harmful to of golf provision, with one the environment, according to

international market in golf-There are 19 large golf

tion or on the drawing board Many are linked with lux-

centres either under construc-

Compared with other countries, Scotland has a high level course for 13,000 people, compared to one for every 36,000 in England.

Dr Price, of the geography and topographic science deprelated tourism, Dr Robert artment of Glasgow University, said the new courses would be of little benefit to local golfers.

Many of them would be exclusively for the use of hotel residents and homeowners. charging green fees of £20 or

"Scotland has increasingly and timeshare apartments, become the destination of creating about 2,500 permagolfing tourists," Dr Price

in some areas residents

were opposed to the proposed developments on environmental grounds, "Residents may not want to see themselves in the shadow of a luxury hotel or leisure complex. They may not be interested in the environmental consequences but do not want it in their backyard."

However, there was no doubt that if all the proposed schemes were completed they would represent a significant boost to the Scottish economy, he said.

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# Cultural capital blighted by 'deserts of poverty'

While Glasgow celebrates its new title as the cultural capital of Europe, thousands of its citizens are living in ment and poverty", a researcher

A few miles from the city centre,

tackle the problems.

ineffective urban policies.

Quite simply, poverty kills," he

births, compared with ten per thousand in the middle-class suburb of Bishopbriggs.

£600m boom in golf decried Plans for a £600 million

a university researcher. The new "golf boom" is a response to an expanding

in Scotland. Twenty-five 18-hole courses and four ninehole courses are planned. ury hotels, upmarket housing

Women's living standards 'hit by Thatcherism' Many women's living standards have OU's faculty of social sciences, said that paid women and those with the qualifica-

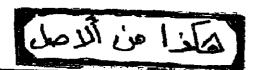
many working-class women had suffered attacks on their living standards because The restructuring of the welfare state, of cuts in welfare services and changes in based on an ideology that a woman's place was in the home, had added to the These changes had created increasing problems of the lower-paid. They were nbers of casual and temporary lowexpected to raise children, but they needed jobs to make up for the cuts they While more of them were entering jobs, there were growing gaps between the lowhad suffered in state benefits and

tions to enter the professions, she said.

nent jobs. Dr Price said. said. "The major golf resorts of St Andrews, Turnberry, Gleneagles, Carnoustie, Troon and North Berwick have been under increasing pressure, particularly from foreign visitors. "It is therefore not surpris-

ing that a large proportion of the £600 million of golfrelated developments on the drawing board are aimed at the top end of the tourist However, the impact of the developments on the environ-ment needed to be studied, he

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# Scientists and doctors form | Student's leap to Leningrad | new links with Eastern bloc

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

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Under the arrangement with the Polish health ministry, material from the BMA library in London will be communicated frequently by

Similar arrangements may follow in 1990 with Hungary and other eastern European

In a separate move, the Royal Society, which helps to promote international scientific relations, is to double the volume of its exchanges with the Soviet Academy of Sciences. It will also set up a programme to allow young British and Soviet scientists to do research in each other's

in a third development, involving Hungary, the Brit-ish Government is giving £5 million over the next four years to help to build an international extension to the Peto Institute, Budapest, which educates children with

Campaign

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launched a campaign to stop the closure of the biggest

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loyees oppose what they regard as "backdoor privatiza-tion" by Mr Michael Forsyth, Minister of Health at the

tients at Craig Dunain Hos-

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Hospital for the mentally

The union says that Craig Dunain is ideal for psychiatric

care as it lies in extensive

grounds on the outskirts of

Facilities include a golf

course, swimming pool, bowling green and sports area.

The Highland Health

Board will make its decision

on Mr Forsyth's suggestion on

January 19, but the union

wants to gain public support with its campaign beforehand. Mr Kevin Bass, for the union, said: "This will be a

short and sweet campaign. A

petition will be handed to the

board on the day of the meeting and the union will hold a public meeting attended by MPs, the Scottish TUC and local health councils, two

"We don't know exactly

what will happen, but we have to prepare for a longer campaign in case the decision goes against us.

against us.
"We fully expect the beard

to back Mr Forsyth because, after all, he holds the purse

strings."
Mr Forsyth wants between

40 and 60 beds transferred to Raigmore hospital, with as many moving out of Craig Pladrig to accommodate the

influx from Craig Densin,

which has served the area

The unions fear jobs will be

Mr Bass said: "We fear we

could lose at least 80 nursing

jobs. We do not really know

the consequences for domestic

The hospital is a listed

building, so it is unlikely to be demolished if it is closed down.

The union believes it will be

sold off and that there is a

possibility that it will be

converted into a timeshare

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Members of the Confedera-

workers yesterday

The grant will guarantee places for British children at the centre, and will enable British health professionals to be trained there. About 600 children from the UK have visited the institute.

Dr John Dawson, head of the BMA's professional and scientific division, said of the Polish agreement: "We hope it will enable Polish doctors to improve their ability to treat patients by giving them access to the latest research work. The dramatic changes in the political climate between East and West has made possible



Dr John Dawson: Political

others' country, compared to

been achieved with the help of 50 previously. Medical scientists are dev-Satellife, an American nonprofit organization that uses eloping an alternative technique to whole organ transspace communications to displants, which, if successful, seminate health information could cut waiting lists for kidney and liver transplants (Nick Nuttall writes).

Satellife received a grant from a Polish-American charity and has in turn given the It involves implanting in-BMA funds to provide redividual cells, rather than a whole organ, into patients. search material to Poland. The

BMA has talked to medical However, the method's success hinges on a plastic scafsocieties in Hungary about increased medical exchanges. fold, being developed by the Mr Duncan Thomson, of team, that supports the cells, the Royal Society's USSR allowing them to flourish. Its department, said: "We have special plastic ensures that agreed a major expansion of individual liver cells are kept our programme of scientific close enough to communicate individual liver cells are kept exchanges with the Soviet chemically. It also promotes Academy of Science. The the growth of blood vessels Russians are taking a greater and degrades harmlessly in the body after performing its task. interest in science internation-

Transplant tests in rats have Co-operation is flourishing in the current spirit of openness, and will benefit both our Vacanti, director of the liver transplantation programme at the Children's Hospital in Boston, United States.

However, Mr Vacanti, whose team's work is reported president of the society, signed in Discover, an American scinew agreements with Profes-sor Guiry Marchuk, president ence magazine, says they are still some way from being able The expansion allows 100 from individual cells.

## Closure of two old steel plants will lose 500 jobs

ally and have much to offer us.

during a visit to Moscow by

last month. Sir George Porter,

of the Soviet Academy.

countries."

lost in Glasgow and Manchester through the closure of group's fabricating capacity is two structural steel plants also to be retained.

Short will not be allocated commercial decision.

Mr John Lafferty, the ards' convener, said owned by Redpath Dorman

Durham.

The two plants produce steel for the building industry. The decision to close them follows an analysis by the completion of the Single European Market in 1992.

at Cambuslang, Glasgow, with for their case was not good few employees expected to enough. transfer to Darlington. The Manchester.

handicapped and the main medical muit at Raigmore hos-The union says the proposals are tantamount to privatization because some pamost modern of its type in in Glasgow. tients will have to be cared for

Europe.

disaster after a 15-year dispute

between the local authority

Council wants to preserve the

one of the world's most valu-

year-old observation tower.

Agriculture, Fisheries and

Food for approval.

Council (NCC).

to the elements.

More than 500 jobs are to be shore work will not be affected golden share to influence any

Long, a subsidiary of the Trafalgar House group. The company is shutting the manded a meeting with Mr considering the Government two plants over the next four Malcolm Rifkind, the Secis a major shareholder in it. months and concentrating retary of State for Scotland, to production at a more modern seek assurances that the Gov-support in the sense that he factory in Darlington, Co ernment will do all it can to avert closure.

widespread fears for the future of the entire Scottish steel industry. Yesterday, after a company of its future after the meeting with Mr Ian Lang, the minister responsible for Scotean Market in 1992. tish industry, stewards said More than 300 jobs are to go the minister's verbal support

They had expected a meetrest of the job losses will be at ing with Mr Rifkind, arguing the factory at Trafford Park, that only the Secretary of State said: "Although decisions on Both plants are old and Mr Lang expressed his con- matters for the company in cannot compare with the cern about the future of the the light of their assessment of Darlington works, opened Belishill plant and supported only eight years ago and union leaders calling for fur- tish Office ministers remain considered to be one of the ther investment at a meeting

The company believes that erament could not influence ments. the move will improve performance, create greater flexibilish Steel. Mrs Thatcher has ity for customers and stream- already indicated that the ive of any plans for new line business operations. Off- Government would not use its investment by the company."

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Mr Andrew Mowle, deputy

director of technical services

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The cliffs at the Naze were

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Mr Michael Page, leader of

erosion over the past five

The NCC was not available

Compromise on landmark

Plan to save tower

and fossil-rich cliff

The eighteenth-century Naze currents continues, a scheme

Tower, atop crumbling cliffs has been devised to construct at Walton on the Naze, Essex, two revolutionary breakwa-

is less than 50 yards from ters which will slow erosion. falling into the North Sea. As that occurs, the breakwa-

The tower is on the brink of ters will be extended inland.

and the Nature Conservancy for the council, said: "For

While Tendring District trying to protect these cliffs

famous landmark and sur- always been resistance from

rounding headland from fur- the NCC because they wanted

ther coastal erosion, course tionists have successfully protested that the cliffs should not reached agreement, to give the tower and headland a longer

The red crag of the Naze, lease of life at least. The cliffs which is designated as a site of will be allowed to erode at a

able and extensive deposits of regarded as important for

bird fossils. The NCC wants to hundreds of years as a defence

assure its continued exposure against invasion. Only in the

However, provisional tific interest been appreciated.

agreement has almost been Mr Michael Page, leader of reached on a £250,000 com- the majority Conservative

promise in the debate over the group and chairman of Tend-

future of fossils, including 50 ring's policy resources com-million-year-old cockoos from mittee, said: "We have lost

the Eocene period, or the 260- more than 30 yards from

It will be submitted early years and at this rate there

don't act now."

next year to the Ministry of soon won't be a tower left if we

While research on tidal for comment.

special scientific interest, is much slower rate."

Meanwhile, shop stewards wards: "We are disappointed at the Clydesdale Tube Works that Mr Lang said he had no in Lanarkshire yesterday de- influence over British Steel

"We have got his verbal says he will speak to British Steel and put forward our There have been recent proposals for the future of the plant, but his attitude is that they have no influence. Now we want a meeting with Mr Rifkind himself.

He added: "We pointed out that if we do not continue making tubes the business will go to a foreign competitor because nowhere else in Britain can do it."

A spokesman for Mr Lang could influence the Cabinet investment and planning are market considerations. Scotconcerned about the future of the plant and are keeping in However, he said the Gov- close touch with develop-

"Mr Lang confirmed that he would in principle be support-

Poll tax

could free

7,000 more

Ministers believe an extra

7,000 Scots could qualify for

exemption from the commu-

nity charge because of new

rules on mental impairment.

The concession goes to

people who collect social sec-

urity because they are senile,

or because mental illness has

brought on a degenerative

Lord James Douglas-Ham ilton, Under-Secretary of State

at the Scottish Office, yes-

terday said: "I hope all those

now entitled to the exemption,

or those who care for them,

Scotland last April the Gov-

ernment was criticized for not

At the Tory conference in

October, Mr Malcolm Rif-

kind, Secretary of State for

Scotland, announced that

would change. His package

also included a relief scheme

for some poll tax payers and

gave Scotland the same con-

cessions as those planned for

The mental impairment

exemption only came into

effect last week. The result

should be that a total of 15,000

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Alzheimer's disease.

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brain disorder.

Mr John Lafferty, the stew Sarah Marshall, of St Ive, near Liskeard, Cornwall, performing a balletic leap in Leningrad, where she is Sarah, aged 18, a student at the following in the footsteps of the English National Ballet School.

ards' convener, said after-

#### Arthritis and Rheumatism Research Council. At any given time more than one in 10 of adults are experiencing some discomfort in the neck, with or without associated arm pain. A study by Dr Brian Hazleman, a specialist

Neck pains in unexplained rise

in rheumatic problems of the neck and shoulder at Addenbrooke's hospital, Cambridge, shows that shoulder complaints rank

Britain is becoming a nation of "pain in the

necks", according to studies prepared for the

fifth among rheumatic conditions as the cause of incapacity and visits to the doctor. Doctors report an increase in the number of people coming to see them with pains in the

neck and shoulders, but there is no obvious explanation for the increase. Dr Hazleman, who has researched the London WCIR 4AR (20p sae).

condition for 15 years, believes people may simply not be putting up with this painful complaint any more and are seeking relief. The Arthritis and Rheumatism Council has

published two pamphlets, called Pain in the Neck and The Painful Shoulder, as the focus for Arthritis Education Week next week. The booklets list causes of temporary pains

and stiffness, explain disorders like frozen shoulder and discuss conditions that might show developing arthritis.

Dr Hazleman says sufferers are right to seek help because more aid can now be given with | Troops in light tanks and recent advances in diagnosis and treatment. • Booklets are available from the Arthritis | terminal buildings and roads and Rheumatism Council, 41 Eagle Street, at Heathrow airport yesterday

#### **Offshore** oil safety risk 'can be cut'

Offshore oil platform safety is improved by risk assessment, a Norwegian safety specialist told the Piper Alpha inquiry in

Aberdeen yesterday. Mr Odd Tveit, a former enior engineer with Statoil, Norway's national oil corporation, said risk assessment, which was mandatory under Norwegian law, identified areas where safety improvements could be made.

"Systematic risk assessment enhances the motivation and striving throughout the company to reach a higher level of safety," he said. The inquiry

Turkey jobs go Four hundred and fifty jobs are to be lost later this year because of the closure of a turkey processing plant at Lincoln, Butterball Foods, a subsidiary of Hillsdown Tur-keys, of Dalton, announced

RAF staff call Staff and conditions must be maintained ahead of equipment if disarmament agreements lead to cuts in defence spending, Air Chief Marshal Sir Peter Harding, Chief of the Air Staff, said yesterday.

#### Journalist cuts

Twenty-eight journalists at the Herald Group of Free News-papers in Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Hertford-shire are to lose their jobs, Thomson Regional News papers announced yesterday.

Hunt called off The police have called off a

murder hunt after the body of Barbara May, aged 70, a retired music teacher, was found at her home at Darlington, Co Durham. It is believed she died of natural causes.

#### Kidnap claim

Jason Levy, aged 37, of Edinburgh, who claimed he had been followed and kidnapped, admitted two charges of wasting police time at Edinbrugh Sheriff Court yesterday. Sentence was deferred for reports.

#### Storm warning

British Telecom is considering warning subscribers to delay making calls during thunderstorms because of the threat of acoustic shock which could

Airport patrol personnel carriers patrolled

as part of a security exercise.

#### Boat owners alerted in rabies drive

The Government yesterday small boats crossing the Chanlaunched an anti-rabies cam- nel could constitute a special paign aimed at stopping boat risk if owners forget or ignore owners from bringing their pets and other animals into the country illegally.

ily travelling round France in nearest to Britain. a yacht or motor launch with a family pet would be enough to Britain to have kept this allow rabies to become en-demic in the UK, leading to shores but we have only done the destruction of wildlife and so by means of strict quar-

immunization for humans. The start of the publicity drive was held at the Boat Show at Earls Court in

quarantine controls.

The disease has been moving rapidly across the Conti-Mr John Gummer, Minister nent and was found just 40 for Agriculture, said one fam- miles from the French coast

"We are very fortunate in farm animals and extensive antine controls on the import of live animals and by constant vigilance in observing them," Mr Gummer said.

Every sailing club in the said, the increasing number of of posters, leaflets, stickers travel firms, overseas visitors, year in jail.



Mr Gummer: "Small boats posing a special risk." and a video about the risk of rabies and the ministry hopes

dren. Whenever a boat enters the UK, the owner must notify customs if there are animals or birds on board and any animal arriving in Britain must be kept in quarantine for six months, by which time it will exhibit symptoms of rabies if present. No one has caught the disease in Britain for 60 years.

Last year 150,000 dogs, cats and other animals were legally brought in under licence and put in quarantine compared to nearly 195,000 the year before. Thirty-eight dogs, 28 cats and 93 other mammals were brought in illegally and there were 29 prosecutions.

The maximum penalty is an London because, Mr Gummer country will be sent a package to drive the message home to unlimited fine and or up to a

#### Winkle eaters unaware of hazard

By Daniel Treisman

will take advantage of it by Winkle pickers around Whitehaven, mbria, have not been warned that When the poll tax started in shellfish from local beaches contain potentially hazardous levels of cadmium because regulatory bodies do not agree exempting sufferers from about whose responsibility it is.

Samples of winkles taken from four beaches by the North West Water Authority contained an average 8.3mg of cadmium per kilogram of winkles. The World Health Organization's recommended maximum annual intake is 26mg.

A separate study by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, mo itoring radioactivity levels in surface and coastal waters found that typical local fish eaters consume 8.3kg of winkles a year. If all were gathered from polluted beaches, consumers would be taking in nearly three times the WHO limit.

mentally impaired people will No warning signs have been placed on the beaches, however, because the regunot pay poll tax, instead of the 8,000 who were exempted last latory bodies do not agree on who is responsible. The Ministry of Agri-

culture, which monitors food safety, says the winkles are not sold in local food shops and fishing for private cons tion does not fall within its jurisdiction. "It would be the responsibility of the

water authority to warn fishermen if there was a hazard," the ministry said. However the north-west division of the National Rivers Authority said it did not

• It is not part of our remit to stop people eating them

have medical officers who could evaluate the risk. "We are not a health authority so it is not really part of our remit to stop people eating the things."

The authority was testing shellfish to check poliutant levels did not contravene a European Community directive requiring that cadmium concentration does not "increase significantly with time". The results were forwarded to the Department of the Environment, which sent them on to Brussels, a spokesman said. However, the local environmental health officer never received them.

The Whitehaven firm of Albright and Wilson, which manufactures detergents, is authorized to dump industrial waste into the sea. Mr Andrew Lees, of the water and toxics department of the environmental group Friends of the Earth, said the discharge included "what appears to be the largest discharge of cadmium anywhere in Europe".

Albright and Wilson says that although its own monitoring, conducted by an independent consultant, reveals no harm to the local marine environment, the firm intends to reduce cadmium discharges within about two years.

Friends of the Earth said the confusion showed the argent need to replace the unco-ordinated system of pollution control with a single environmental protec-

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Papal Nuncio's crucial role in surrender of Noriega

# General beaten by 11-day campaign of mental pressure

From Martin Fletcher, Washington

Federal prisoner 41586, other- Panama so ruthlessly. Until might be preferable to trial in wise known as General Ma- 1983 Monsignor Laboa his own country. nuel Noriega, was being held in an undisclosed Miami-area location yesterday, his lawyer said. A tight security blanket was clamped on the general and federal officials refused to discuss his whereabouts.

following statements that Panama would revoke the diplomatic status of the Papal Nuncio, whose mission in Panama City was surrounded by angry crowds and US military personnel.

Although Vatican officials still insist that the general left the compound voluntarily, a spokesman for the nunciature in Panama City said he surrendered to the Americans because he was told the Vatican embassy's protection would be withdrawn at noon on Thursday and Panamanian forces invited in to arrest him. In Washington, a senior US administration official confirmed that the Vatican had planned to order him to leave by поои on Thursday.

The ultimatum, presented to the fallen dictator by Monsignor Juan Sebastian Laboa, marked the culmination of a remarkable 11-day campaign of psychological pressure by the Papal Nuncio which finally snapped the will of the man who had ruled Noriega that American justice illegally," said his counsel.

The state of

headed the Vatican tribunal which investigated miracles.

More details of Mgr Laboa's crucial role in the surrender emerged yesterday. According to The Wall Street Journal, Monsignor Laboa would taunt As he spent his first full day in custody in the US, Mr Frank Rubino, his lawyer, said that General Noriega surrendered on Wednesday night

MOUSIGNOT Labora would taunt him with questions like: "Do you want nuns washing your underwear for the rest of your life?." He said that General Noriega could expect to go to Noriega could expect to go to the toughest prison if he delayed. "...if you wait too

> Havana (Reuter) — Vice-President Carlos Rafael Rodriguez said Cuba did not recognize the new Government of Panama. He indicated that Cube would give moral and political support to opposition, but ruled out military help.

long you will be sitting in

He made it abundantly clear that the general was an unwelcome guest. One by one he closed off the options, bluntly telling him that no third country wanted him and that even if one did, he would probably share the fate of the exiled Nicaraguan dictator, Anastasio Somoza, who was assassinated while driving his luxury car in Paraguay.

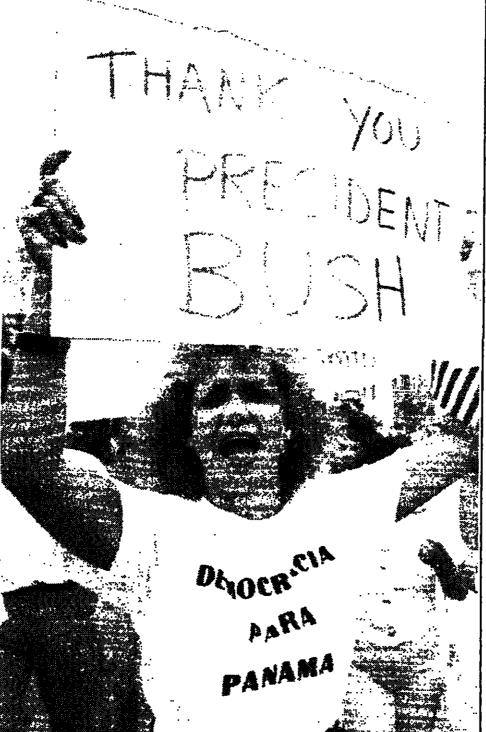
Wednesday's demonstration outside the embassy by 15,000 Panamanians chanting "Justice", "Assassin" and "Hitler" persuaded General

The Pro Nuncio reportedly staged foud conversations outside Noriega's room in which he spoke of the dire consequences of not surrendering. "Laboa was the key. He just kept at it and at it," said one diplomat. After General Noriega made his decision, Mgr Laboa ensured he was constantly accompanied by embassy staff and kept from fellow fugitives to ensure he did not change his mind.

The Washington Times re-ported that during his flight to Miami General Noriega cried, regretted his surrender, and declared in Spanish: "I really put my foot in it this time." One of his guards read to him from the Bible. Before leaving the aircraft he posed, smiling, for photographs with the crew General Noriega's tumble

from dictator to criminal

defendant ended in the strict security of a US courtroom late on Thursday. His lawyer contended that he is a political prisoner and refused to enter a plea on charges that he took \$4.6 million in bribes to turn his nation into a way station for the cocaine trade. In a soft voice, he answered Judge William Hoeveler's initial inquiries, but declined to reply to the drug charges. "General Noriega refuses to submit to the jurisdiction of this court ... because he is a political prisoner brought to this country



# Hanoi allows America's old allies to leave

From Neil Kelly, Bangkok

another step towards with Vietnam and provide it reconcilization with the West with aid. the Americans in the war to leave for the United States.

Many in the group of 158 of American servicemen listed who arrived in Bangkok from as missing in the war. Ho Chi Minh City on the first stage of their journey were middle-aged, former South Vietnamese military officers and civilian officials who had been associated with the Americans at a senior level against the Communists.

Some were accompanied by wives, children and other education camps is now exrelatives. Others were going to rejoin families they had not seen since they were locked up when the Vietnam war ended almost 15 years ago.

On arrival in Bangkok they were taken to a prison for illegal immigrants. They are not classified as normal arrivals and will be held behind education camps. bars until they fly to their new homes next week.

All the former officials had spent at least three years in relong as 13 years.

Earlier Hanoi said they were allowed to emigrate for men died. humanitarian reasons and were not being rejected because of their past hostility to the Communist regime.

The US Government had been asking Vietnam for the past seven years to free them, but Hanoi agreed only last July. At that time a senior American official said: "It will heal the last big wound remaining from the war."

Their release also meets one of the demands Washington A Panamanian exile in Miami spelling out her feelings about General Noriega's overthrow. has long made before it will

Vietnam yesterday took establish normal relations

when it allowed the first group of officials who had been imprisoned for working with sive political settlement in Cambodia and Hanoi's cooperation in resolving the fate

> as missing in the war. Vietnam's help has speeded up the recovery of American remains in the past two years and searches for those listed as missing in action are being conducted with greater

Resettlement of 100,000 former prisoners from repected to be handled with similiar urgency. The US practice is to accept all those Vietnamese who had longterm connections with American policies during the war.

According to the Hanoi Government only about 120 prisoners are left in the re-

Former prisoners say their conditions varied greatly from camp to camp. Some men were forced to do long periods education camps, some as of hard labour and endured harsh living conditions and inadequate food. Many older

There were also lengthy sessions of political indoc-trination and "self-examination" aimed at convincing them of their past sins and of the merits of Communism.

A former lieutenant-colonel said that he found life in his camp in winter very hard as he was used to warmer weather in southern Vietnam.

However, a former army lieutenant said that his experience in the camp where he was held was "not too bad".

#### WORLD ROUNDUP

#### China frees jailed student activists

Peking (AP) - The Chinese Government has released three Peking college students jailed for taking part in the prodemocracy movement, and Chinese sources said yesterday that other activists had been released recently.

However, they added that the releases did not mean a softening of the Chinese authorities' opposition to democratic reform. They said more troops were brought into Peking after the Romanian uprising last month which prompted protests and illegal wall posters on several Peking campuses. Most soldiers now remain inside walled compounds in the city and military bases in the suburbs and the increased presence could not be detected. It is widely believed that troops and police have been on alert for the past two weeks, with all leaves cancelled, and that plans to

#### Iraqi peace proposals

Nicosia - President Saddam Hussein of Iraq put forward three proposals yesterday which he said would revive stalled peace negotiations with Iran (Michael Theodoulou writes). These included direct talks between Bagdhad and Tehran the unconditional release of sick and wounded prisoners-ofwar, and the opening of borders to allow the resumption of visits to Islamic shrines in both countries. There was no immediate response from Tehran, but analysts said the Iranian leadership would reject the package because it side-stepped UN Security Council resolution 598 which it insists is the only basis for peace. The resolution brought a ceasefire in the Gulf War 17 months ago, but there has been no tangible progress in implementing its other provisions.

#### Rail sabotage possible

Karachi - Miss Benazir Bhutto, Pakistan's Prime Minister, believes sabotage cannot be ruled out as the cause of the train disaster in which at least 300 people died (Zahid Hussain writes). The disaster, the worst involving a train in the country's history, happened on Wednesday night when a fast passenger train to Karachi collided with a stationary goods train at Sangi in Sindh province. Miss Bhutto, who arrived at the site of the tragedy yesterday morning, said three railway officials had been on duty at the time. She has appointed a committee under a judge to investigate.

#### Dating game was up

Jerusalem — An Israeli Arab was detained by police this week after he posed as a Jewish Norwegian model on a dating game show (A Correspondent writes). The Yediot Aharanot newspaper reported that Mr Mohammed Shahadeh went on the television show and was questioned with two other men by Miss Smadar Noga, a Tel Aviv disc jockey. She did not choose him because "his answers were a catastrophe". Mr Shahadeh was later detained on suspicion of impersonation. Mr Shahadeh said he gave a false name fearing he would be rejected if it were known he was an Arab.

#### Panther prowls Rome

Rome – For the past week Rome police have been stalking a black panther north-east of the city (Paul Bompard writes). They are following up sightings while local residents are keeping their children indoors after dark. First reports of the panther were not taken too seriously. But sightings have been made by two policemen. Earlier this week a police patrol found an escaped brown bear.

# Japan demands say in shaping new world order

From Joe Joseph Tekyo

Mr Toshiki Kaifu, Japan's Prime Minister, said yesterday that the world's newest superpower was no longer happy just to pay the bills, and wanted a say in how the world approaches the 21st century.

He also dismissed suggestions that he or Japan's long-governing Liberal Democratic Party would be removed in elections which will probably be held next month. He is starting an 11-day tour of Eastern and Western Europe in Bonn on Monday. He will lunch with Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, in London on Friday.

Mr Kaifu said: "Political reform cannot be successful without economic reform, so, of course, at first it is important that the countries in Eastern Europe become economically stronger to ensure that this trend towards greater freedom and democracy takes root firmly.

"Therefore, in the beginning we would be extending co-operation or assistance in that area. But we are aware that Japan today is being expected to take on a role as a major actor not only economically but world's seven leading industrialized

"So, in partnership with the leaders of other Western countries we will play that role. I say this because the reforms in Eastern Europe today will not simply affect the situation there but will influence the world order in the 21st century. It goes without saying that we are going to have a contribution to make in the shaping of that new world order."

One reason Mr Kaifu protests so much is that, very often, it does not go without saying that Japan has thoughts to share on international Eastern Europe, far from Japan's backyard. Although the Foreign Ministry is working hard to bring about a change, Tokyo's diplomacy moves slowly, and still flourishes best where Japan's economic interests can flourish too.

The Government is even having trouble persuading Japanese taxpayers that they should smile on astern Europe.

In the interview, Mr Kaifu, dressed like a Japanese businessmen in dark suit and black slip-on shoes, of diplomatic flair.

Sir Hugh Cortazzi, Britain's for-mer ambassador to Japan, said recently that the Japanese were so myopic that they wanted to know only whether the upheaval in Eastern Europe would affect the timetable for the European Single Market in 1992. A former American Ambassador to Japan, Mr Edwin



Mr Kaifu: More internationally minded than most Japanese MPs.

politically, both in the Asia-Pacific region and also as a member of the have been made about Tokyo's lack Reischauer, has said: "Superpower status has always required a sense of mission that the Japanese lack."

Nearer home, Yomiuri Shimbun, a leading national daily, said in an editorial this week that it was "no longer permissible for Japan to practise 'merchant diplomacy' when historic changes are taking place in the world."

What is making life especially tricky for Mr Kaifu just now is that he is campaigning not only for Japan abroad, but for himself at home. He is amiable, eloquent, more internationally minded than most Japanese MPs, and sounds eager for Japan to muck in more with its allies. But he is hampered by the fact ie is on a ieash inat cour after the coming elections. That

makes his promises look fragile. If Mr Kaifu has few enemies within Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party he also has few powerful friends. Plucked out of the shadows. he had greatness thrust upon him last August after Japan had lost two prime ministers in as many months to sex and bribery scandals. His blameless past attracted the party grandees looking for someone to keep the seat warm. Considering

that most Japanese knew little more

about him than his fetish for polkadot ties - he has 600 in his wardrobe - he has done well to rebuild the party's popularity.

But the Liberals will almost certainly suffer a setback in the elections.

The prospect of entering the history books as one of Japan's shortest-serving prime ministers has concentrated Mr Kaifu's mind.

He plans to take every televisual opportunity on his European trip to hint to the voters back home that a vote for the opposition Socialists who humiliated the Liberals in last July's elections for the Upper House would seem bizarre to Japan's allies at a time when countries that shackling themselves.

"Many people seem to be suggesting that this upcoming election is going to be a very tough one for the Liberal Democratic Party," he said.

"But I don't think last year's election results will be repeated this time. Members of the LDP are working very hard right now, confident we will not lose our parliamentary majority. We're not thinking about forming a coalition or worrying about how well the opposition parties will fare."

#### Secessionist unrest

### **Kashmir valley under curfew**

From Christopher Thomas, Delhi

Government back on its feet.

He has shaken up his Cabinet

and the bureaucracy and, des-

perate to regain control,

ordered a security crackdown.

ing the valley for weeks, making life in the harsh winter

even harder than normal.

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Power cuts are endemic,

frequently disrupted.

Curfews have been disrupt-

Kashmir valley, spinning out of control amid rising violence lah, the Chief Minister, is that even a cruel winter has virtually defunct. Delhi is ally shut down. not suppressed, has been keeping open the option of placed under indefinite dismissing the Administration

Srinagar, the state capital, was silent yesterday save for the noise of armoured cars moving through the streets. Every other town in the valley is also under curfew.

The state government of Jammu and Kashmir said the move was in response to intelligence reports of trouble planned by "subversives", including mass rallies in front of the headquarters of the United Nations military observers in Srinagar.

The security crisis worsening fast. Secessionists calling themselves Mujahidin now possess advanced weapons bought in the arms markets of Pakistan.

The state government,

Armed militancy is a new phenomenon in the Kashmir and imposing direct rule, al-Valley, whose residents al-ways had a reputation for being placid. Violence has though it fears this might incite even worse violence. been building up over the past Mr Abdullah and his team are widely disliked in Kashtwo years and in recent mir. In effect, he has been months has reached a level been placed on probation by Delhi to see if he can get his that bears comparison with

that in Punjab. A dozen militant groups are involved, some demanding unity with Pakistan.

On the orders of the militants, shops and bars throughout the valley will instantly close. An order to boycott last

Deliveries of firewood, a pri-November's elections was completely obeyed. At many polling stations, not one voter turned up. In the Srinagar leaving the valley in pitch constituency nobody even blackness at night. Local busifiled a nomination paper.

#### Thatcher urged to protect Hong Kong democracy

the development of democracy in Hong Kong.

At a time when the world was celebrating Europe's new found freedom, Mr Tang said, it was vital that Britain should government in Hong Kong. His letter was prompted by China's stance at last month's

round of the Anglo-Chinese talks on the transfer of sovereignty in 1997 at which the Peking Government is understood to have disclosed that it Hong Kong's legislative and

democratization process Tang said. But the effect of come to China before 1997."

Mrs Thatcher urging her not 2003. This model is known as to allow Peking to slow down the Omelco Consensus.

"Although we regard the pace of democratization indicated in the Omelco Consensus to be slow, it is the most acceptable of the models now available," Mr Tang said in his letter. "We therefore act decisively over the development of representative urge the British Government to adopt a model no less democratic than the Omelco Consensus without further

The nationality package announced last month by Mr Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary, under which about was prepared to have only 18
per cent of legislative council
seats directly elected by 1997.

Legislative council will be granted full British
citizenship, was evidence of the British Government's executive councils have determination to re-establish reached a consensus favouring confidence in Hong Kong, Mr said. "We believe reform will

The chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association, Mr Robert Tang, has written to half by 1995 and all seats by British Government did not allow democracy to develop at a pace which was acceptable to the people of Hong Kong.

He urged the Government not to allow the development of representative government in Hong Kong to be stymied by the Basic Law, which Peking is drafting as the territory's post-1997

It was likely, Mr Tang said, that the Omelco Consen would not converge with the Basic Law model, and from what had become known of the Basic Law model it would not be acceptable in Hong

"We do not believe China will be immune to the reforms which are taking shape in Eastern Europe," Mr Tang

# Sleuths sniff out truffle-faking ring

From Philip Jacobson, Paris

any longer in the home of the With prices for this noble now. disturbing reports about quantities of adulterated foie gras circulating freely over here, all People of taste and discrimination in France are reeling at per cent on each consignment. the news that there is also a thriving market in the com-

tericit iruffle. Some high-grade sleathing by police in Agen has nucovered the existence of a ring smuggling in supplies of lowly

gournet? Hard on the heels of fungus currently running at

Ironically, it was the unusually heavy demand for walnut dye in the Agen region that first alerted the police to this alarming practice.

that the operation was being Passing them off, after judicious application of walnut dye, as the infinitely more expensive and sought after more superior lines. The first little of chateau-bottled Bor-

It is, of course, an article of faith among those French who can afford the odd kilo of the truffles have been passed on, with the normal, frightful the crander type delights that they can prac- mark-up, by the grander type tically tell under which tree in of restaurants which normally Perigord it was snuffled up by a treasured sow.

By the law of averages - or so one hopes - they will aiready have sampled one of chefs were taken in by the dye.

By coincidence, it seems the phoney consignments, perhaps exclaiming aloud in dethought that some grand resrun by an enterprising band of light at the truly exceptional taurants may have concluded

Mon Dieul Is nothing sacred black variety from France. arrests are expected any day deaux whose true origin lay closer to Bergerac.

account for a large proportion of purchases.

Perish the thought that any of France's haughty master chefs were taken in by the dye.

#### Illegal workers caned in Singapore The Singapore Government serve prison sentences, prob- has slowed down industry, leges, incentives and legal

workers who infringe its tough being expelled. immigration laws. On Boxing Day, three In-

than 90 days.

those involved are seeking dians were caned three times more information. So far there each. Diplomatic sources said has been no outward reaction yesterday that they were not in Singapore itself, and the the first. government-controlled media have yet to report the canings. Since the canings began early last month, more than 20

When the law was passed men - Indians, Filipinos, last April, the ensuing furore Indonesians, Thais and Burforced the Government to mese - have been chastised amend it to provide for employers of illegal workers to ers from Hong Kong will fill with a rattan cane, soaked overnight in brine, at the Kaki be caned as well. The Govern- the gaps. About 6,000 are on Bukit prison. Their crime was ment rarely backs down, and the island already, the adto overstay their visas by more the canings are likely to continue. But the caning policy, at Singapore Government hopes a time when a labour shortage to attract with special privi-Those convicted must also

has started to cane foreign ably of three months, before will cause disruption. The guarantees as the 1997 dead-The embassies representing ing from the departure of thousands of Indian workers.

The captain of a Norwegian-registered ship found that his vessel, which normally took about 10 days, had not been completed after 59 days. That is no isolated example.

Singapore hopes that work-

country's much vaunted ship- line for Hong Kong's reverrepairing industry is still reel- sion to Chinese rule nears,

Non-Chinese foreign labour is discouraged, part of an official attempt to alter the multiracial character of Singathe upgrading and refitting of pore into an ethnically Chinese-based society.

> Mr Lee Kuan Yew, the Prime Minister, believes that the island's growth would have been more spectacular if it were not a multiracial

The official policy is to rely vance guard of those the less and less on non-Chinese workers and try to alter Singa-

# East Berlin is accused of anti-Nazi scare tactics

East Germany's opposition groups yesterday accused the communist party of exploiting fears of a Nazi revival to aid its chances in the May elections.

Their reproach is the opening opposition attack on the reformed party in what looks like becoming a heated contest for power dominated by the German question.

On Thursday, six leading reform groups forged an electoral pact in an attempt to oust the communists.

Herr Konrad Weiss, a sociologist and spokesman for the Democracy Now group, said that the communist party was using its dominance of the media and of state offices to whip up an atmosphere of fear. New Forum joined in the criticism, speaking of "a deliberate campaign to arouse fear and ensure re-

With its political credibility at an alltime ebb, the communist party has for the first stages of the electoral

The main newspapers, still run by the party, have been full of reports of neo-Nazi activities and the Ministry of the Interior announced this week that there were 1,600 known neo-Nazis in the country.Parliament will next week de-cide how to tackle neo-Nazism and intends to set up a commission to protect the country's anti-fascist Constitution.

Opposition groups fear the campaign will provide the Government an excuse to restore the hated state security force, abolished after public outcry at the end of last year. The Government has said it will not

re-create the Stasi but still intends to set

up an information agency to control the activities of right-wing groups in the The West German Government said yesterday that the opposition in East

Germany was not being fairly repre-

called on the Government to ensure fair reporting in the run-up to the general

It added its voice to a chorus of criticism from East German opposition groups and West German politicians

Warsaw (Reuter) - Poland, following East Germany's example, will reduce dsory army service from two years to 18 months this year, Mr Florian Siwicki, the Defence Minister, said in a statement published in Rzeczno yesterday. Total manpower, reduced last year, would be cut by another 10,000 in 1990 to about 300,000, he said, and 450 tanks, 200 gms and 100 armoured vehicles would be scrapped

accusing the Communists of using their control of key offices and the media to ensure they are not defeated in the elections next May.

Herr Norbert Schäfer, the deputy

it was the task of the East German Government to ensure that the oppo-sition had "the freedom to compete on eonal terms".

He told a news conference: "According to our observations, this does not exist at the moment. The West German Government is also concerned about the things that the opposition there is complaining about."

The opposition says it is also denied equal access to office space, typewriters and printing equipment.

Herr Schäfer said if the situation did not change Bonn would raise the issue with Herr Hans Modrow, the East German Prime Minister, when he visits West Germany this month or next for talks with Herr Helmut Kohl, the

Herr Hans-Joschim Heusinger, the East German Justice Minister, was sacked yesterday after widespread criticism that he had failed to act quickly to

members of the former Government. Herr Modrow said in a brief statement that he was responding to pressure from the Parliament in removing Herr Heusinger, whom he replaced with Herr Kurt Wünsce, a fellow Liberal

BONN: A row has built up over the charge by an East German opposition leader - which Bonn flatly denies - that Herr Kohl is endangering hopes for democracy by contacts with the communists (Reuter reports).

Herr Weiss, of the East's Democracy Now, said Herr Kohl had ignored the fledgeling opposition and had started to negotiate away the future of East Germany with a corrupt party.

In a letter to the Chancellor he wrote: "In official meetings and in the media, you have clearly favoured the communists and their representatives while neglecting opposition movements.

"It's true you also received repre-

But you were not really prepared to take out you were not reany prepared to take criticism or hear what we had to say. Instead you lectured us with your own vision of East Germany."

Herr Kohl discussed the future of the two Germanies with Herr Modrow in Dresden two weeks ago in his first meeting with the reformist leadership that took over from Herr Erich

Honecker, the hardline ruler. Herr Weiss accused Herr Kohl of pushing East Berlin towards reunification with Bonn despite opposition from most East German parties.

Rejecting the charges, Herr Schäfer -speaking for Bonn- said government contacts between the two states "serve the interests of the people and not those of the (Socialist Unity) party".

Herr Schäfer said the Chancellor would sign preliminary agreements with East Germany on providing urgent help for its people, but only on condition free elections were held.

#### Protest in Bulgaria

## General strike on rights for Turks closes down country

Sofia (Reuter) - A general hundred of the estimated strike by Bulgarians opposed 10,000 Bulgarians who took to religious freedom for ethnic Turks closed shops and factories and brought transport to a standstill in several towns

Sofia radio said all shops and factories were closed in the southern town of Kurdzhali, where protests began five days ago. Only milk and bread factories and hospitals remained open.

The strike began as a token two-hour stoppage. It spread to the nearby town of Haskovo, which, like Kurd-

#### Pact obsolete

Sofia (Reuter) — The Sovietled trading group, Comecon, is obsolete and should be restractured to reflect changes in Eastern Europe, a Soviet of-ficial said. Mr Sergei Organov, a member of the advance Soviet delegation to next week's Comecon meeting in Bulgaria told a news conference the organisation's 10 member countries agreed on to restructure. much "but ran into negative tendencies in the 1970s," Mr Ouzanov said.

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zhali, bas a large Turkish Zagora and Deznia, site of the country's largest chemical plant. Strikes were also reported in several towns in the northeast including Targoviste. Sumen and the Black Sea resort of Varna.

Thousands of Bulgarian nantly Turkish-populated re- of Turks who fled to Turkey. gions massed in Sofia on Thursday, threatening a a petition to the Communist nationwide general strike un- Party demanding that any less the communist leadership ethnic Turk who adopts a reversed a decision to restore Muslim name be handed civil rights to the country's 1.5 travel documents and cash million ethnic Turks. Several and sent to Turkey.

part in Thursday's protest remained outside the National Assembly building all night in freezing temperatures.

Many of them said they had started a hunger strike and vowed to stay outside Par-liament until the Government agreed to a referendum on the fate of the ethnic Turks.

About 3,000 Turks demonstrated in Kurdzhali, whose population of 60,000 is divided between the two communities, shouting "We are Bulgarians". Under former leader Mr

Todor Zhivkov, overthrown in November after 35 years in power, Turks were forced to assume Bulgarian names and banned from practising their religion.

An estimated 300,000 ethnic Turks fled to Turkey last year after several people were reported to have been killed by police during peaceful protests for Muslim rights.

The new communist leadership of Mr Petur Miadenov, worried at the harm to Bulgaria's image abroad, decided last month to restore full rights to the ethnic Turks, including the right to take Muslim names and practise their

religion. The decision prompted protests by Bulgarian commupopulation, as well as Stara, nities in predominantly Turkish provinces who feared their culture would be wiped out by the Turks.

While the protest has now assumed racist undertones, there are also economic implications for the Bulgarians, many of whom have bought protesters from two predomi- the houses and taken the jobs

The protesters have handed

# Berliners swarm to their first January sales



Bargains abounded for East Berlin shoppers yesterday after the authorities gave the go-ahead for East Germany's first ever winter sale yesterday.

#### West Germany becomes top haven for refugees

West Germany's booming economy and the upheavals in Eastern Europe are jointly turning it into one of the world's main sanctuaries. According to figures released yesterday, 842,227 refugees arrived in the country last

Of these, 720,909 were ethnic Germans who are automatically entitled to citizenship and residence. The remaining 121,318 were asylum seekers from all over the world, although nearly half came from Eastern Europe.

The total figure is signifi-cantly up on 1988, but even then there were 345,581 arrivals, of whom 242,505 were

to a million refugees - and about 1,500 are still arriving these arrived from Poland,

The opening of the Hungarian border to Austria on September 11 and the breaching two months later of the Berlin Wall and the border with East Germany meant that the steadily increasing flow of people from there rapidly turned into a flood.

Some 60,000, mostly elderly, East Germans had left their country by the end of August. Since then, more than 280,000 others, mostly young, have left - an increase on 1988 of some 261 per cent.

Even so, the total of 343,854 East German refugees is still below the 377,055 ethnic Gerimmediately granted citizen- mans who arrived from else- Hungary and Yugoslavia. ship. In the past two years where and this alone repre-

The fact that 250,340 of many of them unable to speak German, shows that the low standard of living is persuading many of the German community to leave for a better life. It also means that the proportion of people with German ancestry in modern Poland is decreasing, so making the right-wing argument for regarding it as part of

Germany less relevant. The largest number, after Poland, came from the Soviet Union (98,134) - over twice as many as in the previous year, as was the case with the 23,387 refugees from Romania. The remainder came largely from Czechoslovakia,

danger they may face if they return home. The influx of refugees in-

if turned down, those who

come from Lebanon, Iran, Sri

from 8.6 per cent in 1988 to 5

per cent last year. Most came

alone, therefore, West Ger- sented an 86 per cent increase cent increase of non-German extreme right-wing reaction, many will have given a home on the previous year. two years ago, and the total lican Party, but most West was 18 per cent up on 1988. At Germans continue to be the same time, the proportion proud of their ability to absorb granted refugee status fell the new citizens. They point

out that the country absorbed

that the social services and

even the economy could col-

12 million refugees after the Second World War, and that from Poland (26,092), Turkey (20,020), Yugoslavia (19,423), Sri Lanka (7,758), Lebanon this was a big factor in the first German economic miracle, (6,240) and Iran (5,768). and the Government says the Although a very high new arrivals will ultimately proportion are refused polbring financial benefits. itical refugee status, it can, Since the birthrate of the with all the appeal processes, indigenous population, at 10.3 take many months before an per thousand, is the lowest in individual has to leave. Even the world, there had been fears

Lanka or Afghanistan are lanse, with an ever-decreasing allowed to stay because of the workforce having to look after an aging population. The youth of the new refugees should go some way towards There was also an 80 per creases the danger of an solving this problem.

#### **Defence** cuts urged on Bonn

From Ian Murray Bonn

The West German opposition Social Democrats (SPD) called on the Government yesterday to make "drastic" cuts in West Germany's defence budget and to use the savings on helping to develop East Germany.

Frau Ingrid Matthaus-Maier, speaking for the SDP's members in the Bundestag, said that the Defence budget for 1990, which totals a record DM54 billion (£20 billion) was "a crass contradiction" of the historic developments in East Germany and the other Warsaw Pact countries. Freedom and democracy in these countries made peace surer and safer than raising defence spending to record levels, she

At the same time East Germany's decision to cut national service from 18 months to a year has given fresh ammunition to the SPD, who want a similar reduction along with a more liberal regime for West Germany's

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After the announcement from East Berlin, the Free Democrats (FDP), junior partners in the Government coalition, have also come out in favour of a year's service

months. The East Germans say that the reduction, along with permission for conscientions objectors to be allowed to do community service instead will mean a reduction of the forces fdreom their present levels of around 180,000 to 150,000 over the next two

years. Even so they claim they will be able to fulfill their Warsaw Pact commitments, given that at the moment some 50,000 men are being used to run transport, supply services, health service needs, industry and to dismantie obsolete tanks.

The West German lobby insists that it will be equally possible for Nato commitments to be met if national

# Police accused of bugging opposition groups

Budapest (Renter) - Hungarian opposition groups yesterday accused police of bugging and monitoring non-communist parties in what they dubbed the country's Watergate

The Alliance of Free Democrats and the Fidesz youth group made the charge at a news conference held at a cinema. They screened video film of what they said were secret Interior Ministry reports on their activities and other opposition

They demanded an end to the surveillance and said that Mr Istvan Horvath, the Interior Minister, and Mr Ferenc Pallagi, the head of the State Security Service, should be sacked. But they stopped short of demanding the resignation of Mr Miklos Nemeth, the reformist communist Prime Minister, saying the country badly needed stability before free elections next March.

"We have proof that the so-called internal defence department of the State Security Service was collecting information until today on non-communist organizations," the two groups said in a letter to Mr

They likened the affair to the Watergate scandal, in which President Nixon was forced to resign over the burglary and bugging of rival Democratic Party offices in the Watergate office building in

They distributed copies of a protest they had filed with the country's chief prosecutor, complaining about what they called anti-constitutional and illegal prac-

distance his Government from the surveillance, reveal who received the alleged intelligence information, sack Mr Horvath and Mr Pallagi, reorganize the security service, investigate the political police and

Belgrade (AFP) - The Orthodox Christmas mass, to be celebrated norrow, will be shown on television for the first time in the history of socialist Yugoslavia, the church announced yesterday.

About 42 per cent of Yugoslavs
belong to the Orthodox church.

seal the secret archives. Mr Laszlo Kover, the Fidesz leader, said that Mr Nemeth probably knew about the bugging. "But if he said he did not know about it, I would accept

tices. They urged Mr Nemeth to his argument because this would serve the interests of the country," he said. "I think we cannot trust the present government but a government crisis would not serve the country's interests before the elections. Interior and Defence Ministry spokesmen were not available for

> • JOHANNESBURG: South Africa and Hungary are still some distance from establishing formal diplomatic relations, Mr R.F. "Pik" Botha, the Foreign Minister, said here yesterday on his return from talks in Budapest with his Hungarian counterpart, Mr Gyula Horn (Ray Kennedy writes).

He said they had agreed to begin looking into the state of their relationships and what phases should formally begin, these included possible "interest offices, and eventually embassies.

But this, he added, "will depend on what happens in South Africa and Hungary over the next few months". The term "diplomatic relations" was difficult to fit into the fold styles or categories of diplomatic relations," Mr Botha said.
"Nowadays there's informal forms of relations made possible through communication technology."

Nevertheless, his visit to Budapest is being viewed in South African government circles as a diplomatic coup and has enraged the African National Congress and antiapartheid groups. The ANC has described Hungary's reception of Mr Botha as demonstrating cynical disregard for international

#### **EC** poll support for reunification

From Michael Binyon, Brussels

reunification of Germany, and higher than even that of the Germans, according to the latest poll of community opinion.

The poll, commissioned by Brussels and carried out in all 12 member states, found that 82 per cent of those questioned in Britain supported a reunited Germany as a member of the EC, compared with 78 per cent - the EC average in West Germany itself. Support also ran high in France, Italy, Greece, Portugal and

It was lowest in Denmark. but there was still a majority of 59 per cent in favour

The poll also found that fears of West Germany being lured east and turning its back on the community were unfounded. The total of 78 per cent West Germans favouring reunification dropped to only 18 per cent if leaving the community were to be im-posed as a condition; less than one West German in five was prepared to sacrifice EC membership for unity,

The poil was published in Eurobarometer, a regular analysis of EC opinion published by the European Commission about three or four times a year. The questionnaire, com-

Almost four in every five also found strong support, people in the European especially in Britain, for the Community support the call by M Jacques Delors, president of the Commission, British readiness to accept a to speed up integration of the unified Germany in the EC is community to meet the challenge of East Europe. A majority in each country

favoured swifter economic, political and monetary inte-gration, with 72 per cent in favour in Britain, despite Mrs Thatcher's opposition to such a course. Support for the Delors response was higher in Britain than in more traditionally integrationist member states, such as Belgium, West Germany, Luxembourg and The Netherlands. Urgent food aid for Poland

won wide support, and 78 per cent also welcomed a common EC policy of coming closer to Eastern Europe. Some 86 per cent urged the EC to take joint action to help East European reforms.

President Gorbachov was the most popular politician among EC voters, while Mrs Thatcher was way down the list, below President Mitterrand, Chancellor Helmut Kohl and M Delors.

Some 66 per cent of those asked said they would like to see the Soviet leader play a more important role in Europe, M Mitterrand won 64 per cent, Herr Kohl 55 per cent and M Delors 49 per cent Support for Mrs Thatcher was year. The questionnaire, com-piled in October and Novem-her before the most discounting. 45 per cent, below that for Mr Lech Walesa, the Solidarity ber before the most dramatic leader, Senor Felipe González, changes in Eastern Europe, the Spanish Prime Minister.

#### Solzhenitsyn goes back to the roots of Russian language By Daniel Treisman one he didn't know," Mr claimed in an article in Strave said yesterday. "Some- Literaturnaya Gazeta that the the leading Siberian novelist Valentin Rasputin has even

The Russian language, under threat from foreign neologisms and Soviet bureaucratic jargon, will this year receive support from no less a purist than Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, the emigré writer, who is to blish a specialized glo in the Soviet Union of ancient words and rare dialect.

It will bearten those who know of Napoleon's invasion when they hear words like koshmar and marshroute (nightmare and highway), or turn queasy at the capitalist echoes of biznesmen and

lished in monthly instalments in the Soviet review Russian writer. He is extremely joyful

by patriotic writers appalled by the inelegant, politicized plary of the Soviet era. Its reception in reformist circles, less overloyed by Solzhenitsyn's looming conservative presence, is per-American exile in Vermont. the writer has not always looked with favour on the

Westernizing tenor of President Gorbachov's perestroika. Collecting rare and archaic words has been a pastime of the writer during his years in Vermout, according to Mr Nikita Strave, his Paris

"The Russian language is his element, his substance in life. It is natural for an exiled

times when I was Innching with him, he spoke about various words. We tried to find a Russian way to say weekend'. There is none. Russians, in fact, spend tedious workdays dreaming of

the vikend. The inspiration for the dictionary came while Solzbenitsyn was working on his massive historical epic The Red Wheel and saw his youngest son, Stepan, typing, Mr Strave said, "It was a way to

bring his Russian son close to

Periodically, other writers have voiced concern about the fate of the Russian language under Soviet rule. In the late 1960s, Konstantin Paustovsky

language was degenerating recently as last July, an article in Literaturnaya Rossiya urged the Supreme Soviet to pass laws of linguistic defence. Under perestroika, some

conservatives have taken aim at such foreign imports as aad plyuralizm - words which nded eerily undefined when Mr Gorbachov took them up three years ago. It is a debate in which

linguistics is rarely far from politics. Traditionalist writers, some of whom have doubts about perestroika, have no affection for Western popular culture. Rok and sarkotiki are viewed as dangerous imports;

claimed that rock music da Solzhenitsyn's aim is to emphasize opportunities for imporation in the Rassian language itself. "Rus its suffixes and prefixes, is still a living language, where it is possible to create new words," rather that importing

them, Mr Struve said.

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Solzhenitsyn has said he will not consider revisiting the Soviet Union mtil all his books have been published there. That date may be approaching, as plans are under way to publish all his works in the next two years.



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# Magyar party to contest April poll

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Romania's Hungarian minorith her account is a second in the reconstruction in the reconstru ity yesterday joined the slowly increasing number of political groups emerging from the shadows and repression of the Ceausescu era to announce their intention to contest the free elections scheduled for

At least four other political groups, two of them parties pre-dating the Communist takeover in 1947 and two new groups, are in the process of registering for the elections. Other new groups spring up almost daily, some of them disappearing just as fast.

The situation is complicated by the fact that the National Salvation Front, the loose alliance of intellectuals, military men, and reform Communists now running the country, has also said that it intends to put up candidates in the elections although it does not regard itself as a political party as such.

In addition, some of the new political groups either are, or say they intend to apply to become, members of the Front, which, in turn, is drafting the election law and will supervise the conduct of the elections, raising some doubt about how much genuine competition there will be.

The Democratic Union of Hungarians in Romania, which was launched yesterday , is likely to provide the main political vehicle for the estimated two million ethnic Hungarians in the country's total population of 23 million. Ninety per cent of Hungarian speakers live in the Transylvania region in the west of the country.

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An ethnic Hungarian writer, Mr Geza Domokos, pro-visional president of the Union, which is a member of the Front, said the new organization would "represent and defend" the political, cultural, and economic rights to of the Hungarian-speaking population, and would seek constitutional guarantees for their adequate representation in state institutions.

Another spokesman for the organization, Mr Andor Horvath, a journalist and writer, said: "We want our

Elena's panic

Tirgoviste, Romania (Reuter) A panie-stricken Elena Ceausescu struggled to get free when she realized she was about to die before a firing squad, an army captain who saw the execution has said. She turned to her husband as they were put before the firing sanad and said: "Nicolae. are going to shoot us," the captain said.

children to have full rights to be taught in their own language, and we want the restoration of a Hungarianspeaking university and separate Hungarian channels on

radio and television." Under Ceausescu, the Hungarian population suffered severe discrimination. The ousted dictator's plan to raze thousands of villages and resettle their inhabitants in "agro-industrial centres", was in part designed to crush the ancient Magyar identity of many parts of Transylvania.

It was security police harassment of a Protestant pastor and civil rights activist of Hungarian origin, the Rev Laszlo Tokes, last month in the western city of Timisoara that set off demonstrations and counter action by the security forces, culminating in the defection of the Army and Ceausescu's overthrow. Romania is a country of

great ethnic diversity. In addi-nia to join the EEC.

Hain investigation

Johannesburg (Reuter) — The South African authorities are investigating the alleged illegal entry into the country of Mr Peter Hain, the British anti-apartheid activist who is a fervent campaigner against this month's tour by England cricket rebels. A spokesman for the Department of Home Affairs said Mr Hain was believed to have entered South Africa last month under a false name and without a work permit. under a false name and without a work permit.

Gunman ails

Paris (Reuter) - M Pierre Arpaillange, the Minister of Justice, has acknowledged that Anis Naccache, the jailed pro-Iranian gunman whose tate is clouding relations between Tehran and Paris, is in poor health after refusing food for nearly four months.

Newsman out

Ankara (Rester) - Turkey has told Christopher Wildig, a resident British journalist and Jehovah's Witness who works for a local English-language journal, to leave the country

immediately. 50 die in crash

Kampala (Reuter) - At least 50 people were killed and several badly hurt in Uganda's worst road crash, a head-on collision between a bus and a truck near the capital.

Rebel claim

Nairobi (Renter) - Rebels in Western Ethiopia claim they killed 957 government troops, wounded 200 and captured 117 others in heavy fighting

Rabuka goes Suva (Reuter) - Fiji has returned to purely civilian rule after Major-General Sitiveni Rabuka, who led two military coups in 1987, fulfilled his promise to resign as Home Affairs Minister in the interim Government he installed.

Marcos cash

Zurich (Reuter) - A judge has awarded 400 million Swiss francs (about £160 million). hidden here by the late Ferdinand Marcos, former President of the Philippines, to that country's Government.

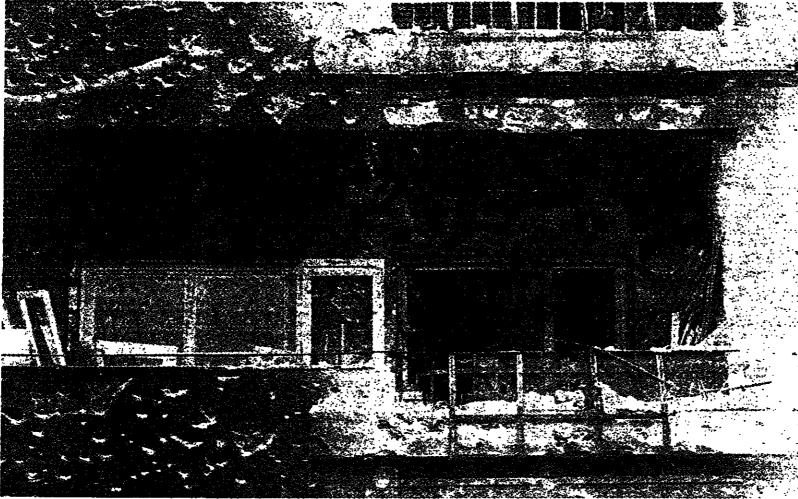
Oil-slick aid

Nicosia (Reuter) - King Fahd of Saudi Arabia has given £30 million to Morocco to help clear the huge oil slick caused when the Iranian supertanker Kharg-5 was crippled by fire and explosions.

Deadly deal

Hong Kong (Reuter) - A court in the southern Chinese town of Quanzhou has sentenced a man to death for producing calendars and playing-cards showing naked women.

**CAPITAL BONDS** 



Workmen making repairs to the shell-marked facade of a villa which was damaged during the fighting near the Romanian television building in Bucharest.

His observation is supported by diplomatic observers and economic analysts who say businessmen in West Germany and Japan have been quicker off the mark in seeking new opportunities. They have also taken a longerterm view of trading patterns, sometimes cultivating unprofitable areas for years before they begin to pay off.

Mrs Iolanda Stranescu.

## **Britons slow to** forge trade links

By Michael Knipe, Diplomatic Correspondent

British industrialists and possibilities. With the revolubusinessmen are lagging be- tion less than three weeks old, hind their Japanese and European competitors in taking Romania's long-term requireadvantage of the revolution in Romania to forge new trade contacts, according to Roma-nian and British observers.

"Bucharest is swarming with Japanese and German executives sizing up the needs and requirements of the Romanians," said Mr Peter Tweedy, a British accountant married to a Romanian who arrived back from Bucharest this week after spending Christmas delivering emergency medical supplies.

president of the British-Romanian Association, said there was an urgent need for a wide-range of investment fertilizer, pesticides, seeds and packages and she feared that agricultural equipment, but British companies were not they were unable to be precise reacting quickly enough to the in their requests.

the problem of establishing ments remain considerable.

The European Community had virtually broken off diplomatic and economic relations with Romania before the revolution and abandoned technical co-operation. But if political reforms are pursued, the Community is expected to extend the same degree of economic assistance as it does to Poland and Hungary.

An aid assessment team, put together by France as almost the last act of its sixmonth presidency of the EC, returned earlier this week after spending three days in Bucharest in an attempt to discover Romania's needs beyond emergency aid. The group, however, found the political situation too chaotic to make much headway.

Mr Charles Grev, assistant head of the East European department at the Foreign representive, said that Romanian Ministry of Foreign Trade officials had requested





**SIMON BARNES** 

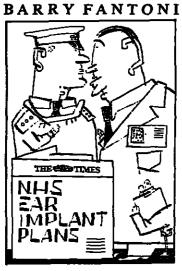
erhaps inevitably, Samuel Beckett, one of the great heroes of this column, chose the Christmas holidays for his death. And even though we are already deep into the New Year, I cannot let the death of the only Nobel Prize winner recorded in the pages of Wisden to pass without notice. Other literary figures have figured in these yellow pages, but none of such eminence: most famously we had Rupert Brooke, subject of an obtunary of half-a-dozen lines in 1916, which concluded unforgettably. "In 1906 he was in the Rugby XI and although has the manuscript in the Marihoonish he was unsuccesful in the Marlboroug match he headed the school's bowling averages with a record of 19 wickets for 14 runs each. He had gained considerable reputation as a poet."

There will be an obituary of Beckett in the next edition of Wisden. He played two first-class matches for the University of Dublin against Northamptonshire. Wisden says that despite playing against sides considerably below strength and packed with young players, the Dubliners were out-classed each time. In 1925, Northants won by an innings and 56 runs. Mr S. Beckett, batting number eight, scored 18 and 12, bowled second change and returned figures of eight overs, two maidens, 17 runs for no wicket. In 1926, the county won by 241 runs. Beckett, then aged 20, was listed as Mr S.V. Beckett, though his second name was Barclay. It must have been a bad telephone tine. He opened the batting and scored 4 and 1, opened the bowling as a left-arm medium pacer, and finished with 15-0-47-0; all of which left him with no first-class bowling

average, and a batting average of 8.75.

As a footnote, my cricketana-writing friend Marcus Williams informs me that there is in existence a Beckett autograph containing a sardonic premature obituary. Signing for an admirer in 1984, he added the following message: "Went in first and carried my bat for a duck."

arl Lewis, the second man home in the 1988 Olympic 100 metres (and he has a gold medal to prove it) is already gearing himself up for the Barcelona Games. He wrote to Serior Pasquall, mayor of that city, "not to wish him happy new year, but with a request. He wants the mayor to make completely and absolutely sure that there are "religious services and places of religion" installed for competitors at the Olympic Village. There always are, as it happens, but Carl does like to tell us about his religious beliefs every now and then.



Something for Kenneth Clarke,

eople occasionally ask me why this column loves non-League football, at the expense of the variety played by the clubs of the Football League. The reason was perfectly demonstrated at the recent Federated Homes League match between Newport and Moreton Newport's resurnce from the flames of the defunct League club Newport County has been one of the nicest stories of the last season or two. A friend of mine went to the match to report on this. One guest was the great Len Ashurst, manager of Cardiff City of the third division. Well, Len, what do you think of Newport's great achivement? "\*\*\* off." "Pardon?" "Look, "\*\*\*\* off." "I'm sorry?" "Look, off. I'm not working today."

By contrast, Welling United of the GM Vauxhall Conference finished their heroic division struggle against third division Reading (defeat after three successive draws) with a gushing letter from the Thames Valley police. "Welling fans are a shining example to football supporters

nother counter-blow to the Len Ashursts of this world: Tommy Ashursts of this work.

Hallett, a steward at Yeovil Town, retired on Boxing Day at the age of 87, after 77 years' association with the club. He worked there first as a car park attendant in 1923. He then worked the turnstiles, and went on to be steward to the vice-presidents' and directors' box for 50 years. He was presented with a silver salver on Boxing Day, which was also his diamond wedding. Where did Tommy spend his wedding day 60 years previously? You've guessed: he was on duty at Yeovil Town's notoriously sloping ground, the Huish. His last fixture was a 0-0 draw with Farnborough Town.

The outcome of the Israeli government crisis is generally referred to as a compromise. In form, it is. Ezer

Weizman retains his portfolio as minister for science and technology, but the price - his exclusion from the inner cabinet - is in fact a political coup for Yitzhak Shamir, the prime minister. He has clipped the wings of the leading dove in the Likud-Labour coalition and has humiliated the Labour leader, Shimon Peres, by disregarding his pro-tests at the demotion.

Shamir has also exposed the overall weakness of Labour's position on the occupied terri-tories. The party was obliged to eat political humble pie because it is rightly reluctant to fight an election in which it would be cast as the friend of the PLO.

Shamir chose his ground well, by selecting a PLO issue. The personality he targeted was also calculated to hit Labour along its old Peres-Rabin fault line. In the 1970s Weizman was a senior member of Likud, brilliantly managing its 1977 election campaign which made Menachem Begin prime minister. In 1980, however, he resigned (later joining Labour) after being criticized what many regarded as his timid reaction to attacks on Jewish settlers in the West Bank.

Shamir's hard-line coup

who is now defence minister and deputy to Peres. At the time of the 1977 election, Rabin both was and was not prime minister. A month previously he had announced his resignation from the premiership and from the leadership of the Labour Party after the discovery that his family had kept bank accounts in Washington, in breach of Israeli law. However, Israeli law did not allow him to resign during the election, so he remained prime minister "on leave

1977 election by Yitzhak Rabin,

Weizman made the issue of corruption in public life central to Likud's 1977 campaign. He refrained from frontal attack on Rabin, concentrating instead on Begin's modest lifestyle and personal honesty, attributes conceded to him even by his

During this week's crisis. Peres initially sounded as though he would make the Weizman case a "stand or fall" issue. In this he was opposed by Rabin and many Labour members of the Knesset, who began to wonder about the safety of their seats because of Weizman's contacts with the PLO. Rabin has therefore been boosted against Peres, which is another plus for

By his tough, astute move on a

Conor Cruise O'Brien on the implications of the Weizman affair

popular issue, Shamir has put Labour in its place. Those who have tried to depict him as a weak or dim-witted leader including some within Likud themselves lose credibility. Shamir can now send his very able foreign minister Moshe Arens (a Likud colleague) to talks in Washington this month with James Baker, the Secretary of State, and the Egyptian foreign minister, in possession of stronger cards than he would otherwise have held.

The strongest card Arens will have in Washington is Labour's acquiescence in Weizman's demotion. Labour, with both Rabin and Weizman on its front

bench, has been trying to play hawks to the hawks and doves to the doves. It has assured the electorate that it will never negotiate with the PLO, but at the same time it has been hinting in Washington and elsewhere that it is not so inflexible in this regard as Likud. When the time is ripe, but only then, some movement might be expected

from Labour — perhaps.

By pouncing on Weizman,
Shamir called the bluff. Labour
was forced to choose between
what it had been telling the electorate, and what it had been hinting to the Americans and others. From fear of an electoral massacre, Labour came down in favour of what it had been telling the electorate. It acquiesced in the expulsion from the cabinet of its most eminent dove, and so discredited what it had been hinting to the Americans. When Moshe Arens goes to Washington and says that he speaks for a united cabinet in refusing

any movement towards talks

with the PLO, he will be believed because of what happened to

Nevertheless, some people may feel that Weizman's demotion is to be regretted, as a setback to the peace process. I think it represents the puncturing of an illusion: the illusion that it would be possible for Israel to hold talks with the PLO leading to a "territory for peace" settle-ment. I agree with those who say that "territory for peace" is impossible without direct talks with the PLO, but even if there were direct talks - which I think is impossible on the Israeli side - no territorial concession by

Israel would bring peace. For the Arab hostility is not to Israel's possession of a particular territory, but to its very existence as a nation. Even if the PLO leadership were to accept the surrender of the West Bank and Gaza as a permanent settlement, many Palestinians and other Arabs would not Even if a "territory for peace" settlement

were concluded, military action against Israel would continue.

An exchange of "territory for peace" is therefore a mirage.

This is not to say that I take the Shamir-Arens proposals for elec-tions in the territories as genuine. These proposals are a subtle scheme for fighting a mirage with a smokescreen. The idea is to keep the Americans talking while resisting US pressure, and to give the Arabs as many chances as possible of harming their own cause in American

eyes by making unreasonable demands and objections. Arens is good at that game. What is loosely called the peace process is in reality a way of carrying on the Arab-Israeli conflict on the diplomatic front.

Any hope of more peaceful conditions in the territories depends on a de facto accommodation, under which the Israeli army would keep out of densely populated Arab areas and cede control to the Palestinian leadership, in exchange for assurances that they would not be used as bases for attacks on Jewish targets. Even this bope is at present remote, but compared with the idea of exchanging territory for peace, such a de facto accommodation has the modest advantage of falling within the bounds of possibility.

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# A Mickey Mouse view of history

Disney was relatively contented himself with decorating the sides of ambulances to cheer up the war wounded, and with inventing chirpy animated characters. True, even in the beginning there was a nauseating jauntiness and sentimentality about it all, but it provided children and retarded adults with innocent fun.

But he was not content to relay the intangible dreams and fantasies in pictorial form; they had to be made palpable, physical and visitable. Disneyland was created, opening in California in 1955. A didactic element had been injected into the corporation, so that carefully sieved information about space, history and "Mother Naychure" was relayed, to an accompaniment of twee, irritating music.

Now there was on offer not only fairy stories and fables about dressed animals, but the whole world, waiting to be processed and retailed in a comforting and entertaining way; with ghosts and demons, the terrors of mortality and sexuality surgically removed.

Disneyland was a monstrous exercise in colonization, and its imperial swagger matched many the expropriations exploitations of real empires. In the US, it went from strength to strength, and what began as a sort of funfair in Los Angeles was expanded in Florida. But it was still confined to America, and the Disney ethos was exported only through films and the comic

Now we are moving towards a time when the sun will never set on the Disney empire. Seeing and hearing the modern Disney executives, with their zombie like inner conviction and messianic gleam is an alarming experience. Curiously, given the sense of fun which is supposed to be the basis of the Disney empire, the one thing they lack is a sense of humour.

The whole diseased scheme has taken root in Europe - and of all places, in France, the country most known for an inward-looking, homogenous, aggressively chauvinistic culture. Where were the aesthetic antibodies when the time came to resist the invasion? Where was that inveterately protective

and prophylactic xenophobia? Suddenly, a key part of the community found itself suffering from cultural Aids (which is simply another way of saying that financial greed took over). So the true magic of a 500-acre site near Paris — for all of France has its magic — is now cheapened by a false magic. What a strange phenomenon: that in a land crowded with evocative castles, packed with densely atmos-pheric countryside, and thronged with ancient, historic towns, people should flock to flimsy, fibre-glass simulacra of

the same. Britain should not be com-placent either. Although we do not have a Disneyland, a similar the power of our senses, what-ever makes the past, the distant,



#### Bernard Richards regrets the packaging of our heritage in superficially attractive terms which demean and diminish

process is creeping up on us. Disneyfication is rife, as history is made living, audible, visual and tactile. Not even Oxford is immune: tourists with precious minutes to spare choose to see The Oxford Story", rather than look at the real city. Often, in the process of Disneyfication, replicas of old buildings are made to look new, encouraging the illu-sion that one has travelled back in time and reached the moment of their completion.

Those funfairs are resistible, but there is a process at work even more insidious: the Disneyfication of real, venerable places. Medieval castles lay on banquets with wenches and jousts, people are dressed in period costume to cavort about, and the past is presented, not necessarily divested of all its horrors and disgraces, but as a mode of entertainment and distraction.

The jokey tone of these costume dreams is often wrong. The last thing one would have in Disneyland is the kind of experience Dr Johnson had in Iona, when he gazed on the primitive Christian ruins and reflected:

or the future, predominate over the present, advances us in the dignity of thinking beings. Far from me...be such frigid philosophy as may conduct us indifferently and unmoved over any ground which has been dignified by wisdom, bravery, or virtue." Such elegiac reflection would have been impossible had the stones been of fibreglass. And Samuel Johnson did not need the prompting by a visitor orientation centre.

t the end of the film Full Metal Jacket, there is a spine-chilling scene in which several soldiers who have just lived through something like hell on earth march off singing the Mickey Mouse song. So are the two connected? It would be cruel and inaccurate to suggest that a heart gorged on fantasies tends directly to criminal behaviour, but a numbing during childhood of the sense of reality must be a helpful contribution to any war effort, to behaviour that requires suspension of intelligence.

And after the horrors, there is a defence mechanism to blot out reality. In this instance, a shared cultural item - a lowest common denominator - is invoked.

That jaunty tune, that collective retreat into infantilism, may be the only way for soldiers to stop themselves going mad. The phenomenon of Disneyfi-

cation suggests not only that

humankind cannot bear very much reality, but that it cannot bear any at all. If Dickens were able to visit our time, I suggest that he would seriously question the opinion he seems to endorse in Hard Times, that "People mutht be amuthed." The Disneyfication which produces theme parks removes the actively collaborative and intelligent imagination, and replaces it with the passive consumption of

In 1945, just after the war, my parents took me to the site in Cornwall of King Arthur's last battle. I went with eager anticipation: there would be swords and helmets lying in the grass; I would be able to take some home as souvenirs. There was a pang of disappointment as I saw the empty field, felt the chill wind and the desolation. But in the next instant, beneath the wan sky, a deep experience occurred as I realized that such emptiness testified to the enormous sweep of time beween me and that remote event. It was enormously sad. It was, in one sense, tremendously anti-climactic, yet in another it was a key event in my life, for it dem-onstrated that I had a desperate and extreme passion for the past. was four and a haif years old. How could that child, grown to a man, even begin to tolerate the tacky futility of Disneyland? The author is a fellow Brasenose College, Oxford.

**Peter Brimelow** 

# The old lion still roars

New York surprising feature of this past Christmas season in America has been the strong sale of books. Surprising, because publishers, like farmers, are inveterate moaners. But it appears that books here have finally become impulse purchases for last-minute presentbuyers - vindicating all the authors who have sourly wondered why their friends baulk at book prices but spend blithely on

silk ties and wine. All this must be good news for the literary estate of Irwin Shaw, the American novelist who died in 1984. All 12 of the novels Shaw wrote during his long career were in print at the time of his death, their covers echoing the design of Rich Man, Poor

Man, which became a megabestseller after the sensationally successful TV mini-series based upon it. They are still fixtures of any self-respecting paperback dis-

To any student of American culture, the cinating. As

erson points out in his recent aginatively, extending this study, Irwin Shaw: A Biography (Putnam, \$24.95), commercial uccess was directly responsible for the destruction of Shaw's literary reputation. "If he had died in 1950, his place as one of America's finest writers of the Thirties and Forties would have been far more secure." Shaw's anti-war play Bury the Dead, his war novel The Young Lions and his short stories for The New Yorker represented a conquest of the literary establishment that

only a formidable act of histori-

cal revisionism could erase. That Shaw was crased with such ease is evidence of the distance, and also the antagonism, between American high and popular tastes. But the popular should not be ignored. Some of Shaw's later novels

were unquestionably commercial productions. He used to say forlornly that Dickens was commercial too. But somehow the professionalism and literary power that writing such things may demand no longer seem to earn respect. The magnificence of Shaw's

writing should not be lost because of this fragmentation of America's literary culture. He was a Brooklyn Jew, a child of the great wave of Jewish immigration from Eastern Europe in the 1890s, and part of the consequent great wave of Jews into the professions in the 1930s. The collision between these Jews and America's Wasp society is still reverberating. For example, as late as the Second World War, it was possible for the distin-guished critic Lionel Trilling to be denied a chair of English at

Columbia University on the grounds that, as a Jew, his sensibility would be alien to the subject. Today, the Jewish presence in America's literary establishment distinguishes it sharply from that of Britain, and such writers as Gore Vidal and the late Truman Capote have even been heard complaining of a Jewish mafia.

Shaw exemplified this collision personally and professionally. He wrote scathingly about American anti-Semitism, and said that it was a factor in his spending 25 years as a European tax exile. But he was also deeply attracted to Wasp society - and Wasp women. A fine athlete, he was a college football hero in the storybook American mode at a time when the participation of

Jews in this brutal game was regarded with incredulity by Americans in general and immigrant mothers in particular. Unlike a later generation of American Jewish novelists, he wrote more often than not about nona deliberate effort to under-

Shaw: masterpieces not marred by popularity stand them imunderstanding in The Young Lions to a remarkable portrait of

a convinced Nazi. Given Shaw's background, it is hardly surprising that he was sufficiently involved in left-wing causes to be named as a communist before the House Un-American Activities Committee. But by the late 1940s he was clearly moving in another direction. He refused permission for further productions of Bury the Dead, on the grounds that it was being used by communist groups. His biographer, much more in tune with the politics of the literary establishment, complains that this act provided "important propaganda for the

American Right". My own theory about Irwin Shaw is that although not primarily political, he was in some ways a precursor of the 'neo-conservatives" - the predominantly Jewish group of New York ex-liberal intellectuals that emerged in the late 1970s and is associated with the magazine Commentary. Thus, in Shaw's splendid novel of the McCarthy era, The Troubled Air, several of those accused of being communists actually turn out to be guilty, which is something the anti-anti-communists still do not like to admit Indeed the financier of the anti-communist drive turns out to be a Jewish businessman, who is particularly exercised by Jews supporting communism.

Maybe the literary establishment knew what it was doing after all. The author is a senior editor of Forbes magazine.

#### Felines and freedom fighters ing themselves and waving their

What strikes one about Algiers is the smell of cats. Cats everywhere. Cats in the alleys, as you climb the steps from the harbour; cats in the avenues, promenading in the sun; cats in the corridors of the posh hotels. The sleekest of vagabonds, they belong to no one. Accepted with a shrug, they prosper and multiply.

It was a short holiday. On

Boxing Day my parents and I were welcomed at Algiers airport by a friend - Walid - from the embassy of the Saharwi Arab Democratic Republic.

Britain has yet to recognize the SADR, though we know their cause is just. Even by the standards of a cynical age it was an outrage for General Franco to sell a whole country to the King of Morocco. For many years the people of the Western Sahara have been fighting to recover their territory: and they appre-

ciate what friends they have - even mum and dad and me! They smoothed our path through Algiers and saw us off next day, bound for the Algerian Sahara and the oasis town of Ghardaia. The cats had got to Ghardaia first. Our hotel was showily modern and faintly grubby. There is something comic about a smooty head waiter tripping over a miaowing stray. He classed me with the stray: probably because I had lost my smart clothes when

still had one jacket. I lost that next. My fault, of course. It was sunny by the pool and the jacket came off. Nipping inside, I forgot it and became

the airline lost my suitcase. But I

absorbed by the pool rules, committing them to my reporter's notebook. "The dangerous Games is forbidden in the Swining pool", I read. "Deep: 2m towards the plimge end of the bath." I returned to find the jacket gone. Another sacrifice to journalism! Silly, really, to have left my passport in the pocket.

Everyone was very upset. Frankly I found it hard to match their agitation, for I had lost little, thousands were dying in Romania, the jacket was from British Home Stores, and the sun was warm. "He seems too calm." whispered an officer in French to his mate at the Gendarmerie. But he typed a report (in Arabic) on a



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backwards typewriter. I telexed the British embassy. We stayed. Ghardaia was fascinating. We watched a Muslim rally from the roof of our hotel. The sight of 10,000 men alternately prostrat-

arms as a white-robed figure screamed at them from a dais while great pens of women veiled down to just one corner of one eye waited like cattle aroused in me something I thought I should never feel: affection for the FLN - the socialist governing party, and only bastion against these horrors. The police hung around awkwardly, nervous, like us. My mother asked a boy: "Do women like being veiled?" The question perplexed him until he saw (he

"Some have cheap veils and this is sad. But some - my brother's wife for instance - have very excellent veils; pure wool,"

supposed) its meaning.

Algeria is in a fix, and deserves better sympathy from Britain. It is hard to liberalize a command economy, democratize a police state, stay leader of the nonaligned, avoid the attention of Islamic fundamentalists and keep the price of bread down all at once as the currency slides. French banknotes slip from hand to hand

like pornographic postcards.

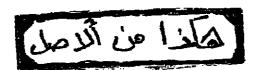
But the telex works, And so does the British consul. To be told on New Year's morning to cool my heels for a few days would have been as much as I deserved. To be told I could call in at 11 am, with two photographs, and leave on a midday flight was incredible. To be invited to our ambas-

sador's New Year's Eve party was remarkably kind. And when Walid met us at the airport with news that his ambassador had arranged a party . . . well, neither could be missed.

They were so different! The British ambassador, Patrick Eyers, commanding but relaxed is now bound for East Berlin. This was his leaving party, and a jolly one. One moment I was dancing a conga through a most elegant residence, wondering why I ever left the diplomatic service, the next I was sitting on the floor of a quiet flat in intense discussion with men whose desert war was

life and death . . . There was one sad moment. When Walid and I reached the imposing gates of the British residency, he tactfully turned back. It would have been better if could have gone in together. Let us hope!

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The Association of First Division Civil Servants belongs, in Bagehot's terms, more to the dignified than the efficient part of the Constitution. Even after its recent marriage with the more rough-and-tumble types of the Association of Inspectors of Taxes, the FDA remains a band of gentlemen (and that despite its being led by some formidable Whitehall women). Against that background, its snubbing of the Cabinet Office over the wording of a new code of conduct for Civil Servants looks like the higher grades in Whitehall doing what they are notoriously good at: splitting hairs on a precise point of drafting. To the lay public the difference between "most" and "all" in a clause is not the stuff of which industrial disputes are made, and that common sense response is correct.

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The lines of argument are these. The Government, in the person of the former Home Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd, consistently said that a consequence of its reform of official secrets was some encoding of disciplinary procedures for Civil Servants who broke the rules governing the unauthorized release of official information. A Civil Servant in a domestic ministry like, say, the Department of Education who leaked will, after the implementation of the Official Secrets Act 1989, no longer be subject to criminal prosecution. The issue between the Cabinet Office and the FDA is whether the disciplinary code under which that official would be charged by his superiors should reflect existing administrative practice or some new ideal relationship within the executive branch of government.

The Government, with justification, says all it is doing is encoding existing practice. That includes what passes as Whitehall doctrine on such issues as confidentiality, and the broad obligations of officials to their ministers. Unusually, in a culture which lives by words of mouth and empirical precedent much more than by written doctrine, these obligations were set down by the former head of the civil service, Lord Armstrong of Ilminster, in

formal memoranda he published in the wake of the unsuccessful prosecution of Clive Ponting. His successor has subjected them to no revision. The Armstrong memoranda — on the second of which the FDA was consulted were, more or less, a distillation of contemporary constitutional wisdom.

They said Civil Servants may be dignified as servants of that mystical entity, the Crown, but for all practical purposes that meant servants of the ministers of the day. The FDA's preferred wording of the new code is: for most practical purposes. Now is that a constitutional hiatus or a somewhat precious difference of vocabulary?

The answer must be that the Government is right because it has been consistent; it ought to resist what looks like a piece of opportunism by the FDA. If there were to be objections to the doctrine, surely the time to make them would have been when it was set out in black and white by Lord Armstrong, or better, at some earlier stage when it became part of constitutional practice. The FDA, which has asked for a meeting with Sir Robin Butler, is in effect asking him to repudiate his predecessor without - as yet - having advanced any cogent reasons why the status quo should be subverted. There remains a suspicion that the union wants to leave the door open for a future Clive Ponting by granting, in advance, immunity for breaches of confidentiality (provided they are generated by good - that is to say, bad - conscience).

There was - is - much that was unsatisfactory about the Armstrong doctrine. It did not get to grips with the administrative consequences of the tide of managerial reform running through the service of the State. There was - is - a debate to be had about the operation of our strong executive-in-Parliament, within the Constitution. However, a drafting amendment to a code of conduct which does not in any material sense alter the terms on which Civil Servants are employed is not an opportune occasion to tread that turf.

#### FINGER IN THE DIKE

In the maelstrom of political and economic change that has engulfed what used to be called the Soviet bloc, what future for Comecon, the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance? Scarcely more than two years ago, in the book he published about perestroika, Mr Gorbachov wrote of his hope that the process of integration would be accelerated. That already reads like a history of ancient times. This week. on a visit to Poland, the new Czechoslovak Finance Minister, Mr Vaclav Klaus, said that the communist trading bloc was a dead letter.

Comecon, the brainchild of the Soviet Union, was established in 1949, ostensibly as a riposte to the Marshall Plan. Its declared aims were "to promote the national economies of the member states and the develop socialist economic integration", but in the early Stalinist period of its existence it was used, together with Soviet war reparations, to assist in the reconstruction of the Soviet Union. By the early eighties, however, the evidence was that its involvement in Comecon constituted a serious drain on Soviet resources.

Constitutionally, the Session of the Council, the organization's supreme body, enjoys no supranational powers, and the founding documents talked about the equal rights of all member states. It was an attempt in the 1960s by Mr Khrushchev to set up a central policy authority which gave an early boost to Mr Ceausescu's reputation in the West as a plucky little chap prepared to stand up to pressure from Moscow.

Since its inception, there are a number of ways in which the organization has stood in its own light. It could not be a customs union - if foreign trade was controlled by state directive rather than by import duties, tariff reduction had no meaning. Nor could it achieve much in the way of specialization within a large multinational market - relative utility could not be measured, because there was no price mechanism.

In the seventies there were several attempts to negotiate a trade agreement with the

European Community. The Brussels view, however, was that the Eastern bloc did not have the legal powers to conclude agreements with the EEC. The Comecon delegation was sent away with a flea in its ear, and the question of closer links surfaced again only in 1985.

The Czechs are not alone in questioning the future of the organization. The retreat from central planning in Eastern Europe and the attempt to move towards a market economy have made Comecon seem increasingly irrelevant to the concerns of its members. The Polish Government said this week that its structures had become "ossified".

Clearly, then, the discussions at next week's Comecon meeting in Sofia will be spirited. The Czech finance minister stopped short this week of calling for its dissolution, but he made it plain that if his proposals for a radical overhaul were not accepted, Czechoslovakia was prepared to withdraw unilaterally from its

Mr Klaus is a professional economist. His views did not find favour during the seventies, and he found himself working as a clerk in a bank. His aim now is to see most of the Eastern bloc's economic activities conducted bilaterally between the individual member

The Czechs and their Polish allies can have few illusions about what they are taking on. The OECD has told Poland that its plans to put its trade with its neighbours on a hard currency basis may create difficulties, and that currency convertibility and the setting of a realistic exchange rate for the zloty may at first have a

There was an indication of the Soviet position in an interview this week with Comecon's president, Mr Andrei Lukanov. He wanted, he said, to see "a unified market of the socialist countries", although he conceded that might take 10 or 15 years. It is doubtful whether he can keep his thumb in the dike for

#### **CHANGING TIMES**

Opposition is gathering momentum north of the border to Government plans to abandon Greenwich Mean Time. Scottish reaction to the idea is understandable, but it should not stop Whitehall from pushing forward — in more ways than one.

Proposals to change the time zone that we live in are not new. In the late 1960s the Wilson Government introduced a three-year experiment with British Standard Time which was, in effect, British Summer Time throughout the year. That ended after a free vote in the Commons, amid fierce controversy up and down the country.

The debate has been revived mainly because of British entry into Europe, and the approach of the Single Market has now given it fresh impetus. While a one-hour time shift between Britain and the Continent is not an insuperable obstacle to progress, the advantages of harmonization are obvious. The proposal this time is to put the clocks forward by one hour in the winter, then by a second hour in the summer, thus bringing us into line with most of Europe. The only other countries on GMT are Portugal and the Irish Republic, while Greece is one hour ahead of everyone else.

Support for such a move was never likely to be unanimous. While it means lighter evenings throughout the year, it also entails darker mornings. Most of those who start work early out of doors, like postmen, farmers and building workers, would obviously prefer to leave things as they are. The same applies in large tracts of the Celtic fringe, where dawn arrives significantly later than in the South. In Scotland, where opposition is most vocal, winter days are that much shorter altogether. in the northern isles, for instance, dawn would not arrive in mid-winter until 10am if Britain moves to Central European Time.

On the other hand the Scandinavian countries seem to have no particular difficulty in adjusting. Building workers there simply start later in the winter. The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents, the Development Commission for Rural England and the Confederation of British Industry have all come out in favour of the change - though the CBI in Scotland begs to differ.

According to official transport figures more than 600 deaths and serious injuries on the roads could be avoided every year if an hour of winter daylight were moved from the start of the day to the end of it. Experience suggests that drivers and pedestrians (including schoolchildren) are more careless coming home from work than going to it.

In energy costs alone, the evidence in favour of change is said by research specialists to be overwhelming. Meanwhile the life of farmers has been eased by the practice of keeping cows in sheds at night during the winter. This saves the farmer from having to round them up in the dark for milking.

Last summer the Home Office published a Green Paper, outlining its proposal and soliciting the views of interested organizations and individuals. The Home Secretary will tell the Commons later this month that nearly 31,000 representations were received, 81 per cent of which favoured the change. In England and Wales the figure was even higher.

This is cold comfort to those in Scotland, Northern Ireland or west Wales, who will see it as another example of southern bias. The Government has promised a debate in the House of Commons, in which it will probably allow MPs a free vote. The weight of evidence suggests that the move would be in the interests of Britain as a whole.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Charity deals to aid givers

From Mr D. M. N. Simson Sir, I have been personally in-volved in fund-raising for a number of years. The suggestion put forward by Dr Dahrendorf (article, January 2) for setting up a foundation in the United Kingdom on a stage big enough to emulate the Ford, Rockefeller and MacArthur foundations is not only mouth-watering but begs the question why it has not been suggested before.

I suspect this may be due to the absence of a condition which actively encourages wealthy private individuals and corporations alike to make contributions sizeable enough for the minimum financial objectives of £1 billion to be achieved.

I refer to the introduction in the United Kingdom of fund-giving tax incentives no less favourable than those that exist in the US; tax incentives which are fiscally attractive to the donors not only because they generate considerable tax reductions in their hands but actually generate additional income to them as well in the right circumstances.

It is all the more regrettable therefore that a very comprehensive and well reasoned set of proposals submitted to the Chancellor in December 1986 and 1987 by representatives of nearly all UK institutions of higher education recommending the in-troduction of tax incentives that would have made "charitable giving" fiscally attractive fell on deaf ears.

If, therefore, Dr Dahrendorf is really serious about a Ford look-alike UK foundation he would be well advised to take steps to bring about an amelioration in the UK fiscal climate in so far as it affects "charitable donations" as a very essential first step. Yours faithfully.

D. M. N. SIMSON, The Coach House, 22a Priory Road, Sheffield, South Yorkshire. January 3.

From Professor Richard Whitfield Sir, Ralf Dahrendorf's plea for the establishment of a large new influential UK foundation to promote by private initiative is timely.

There is now huge pressure upon charitable resources. New ideas face an all too competitive situation for resources to develop them. Furthermore, investment in prevention to head off later costly remedial activities in the social field is grossly inadequate.

Dr Colin Murray Parkes's letter (January 2) illustrated this for the field of bereavement counselling, severe neglect of issues concerning family formation and maintenance which lie at the core of a viable social ecology.

The nation certainly needs new charitable benefactors, but the debate about priorities for spending new money needs to focus upon both useful innovation and the sufficient conditions for achieving the inner personal security and contentment, which all too many adults and children lack, in a society which fails to take human potential sufficiently seriously. Yours faithfully, RICHARD WHITFIELD

(Chairman), National Family Trust, 101 Queen Victoria Street, EC4.

#### Ulster caution From Mr David Trimble

Sir, Your editorial on Ulster (January 3) is wise to be cautious about the reduced number of terrorist murders in Ulster in 1989. This was partly due to a decision by the IRA to switch its effort to places outside Ulster. If the 15 IRA murders elsewhere are added to the 62 in Ulster the position is not so rosy.

The yearning for peace in Ulster is carried into practice by the thousands of Ulstermen who serve and sacrifice themselves in the various branches of the security forces and by those parties which support them. Nor have Ulstermen lost interest in province-wide politics.

It is now two years since the leader of this party submitted outline proposals for such to the secretary of state, to which there has still been absolutely no response. The failure is chiefly due to the Anglo-Irish Agreement, which has in effect given Dublin and John Hume (leader of the Social Democratic and Labour Party) the power to block movement within Ulster.

Yours etc., DAVID TRIMBLE (Honorary Secretary), Ulster Unionist Council. 3 Glengall Street. Belfast 12. January 3.

#### Freedom of the press From Mother General

M. Xavier, OSB Sir, Tyburn Convent is a closed order of nuns and we do not read newspapers, listen to radio, watch television. And recently, to our surprise, we were suddenly in-vaded by the media just because we play snooker, though they weren't particularly interested in

our other pastime, skipping. Journalists, photographers, radio and television crews arrived to cover our snooker championship, won by Sister Simeon, in aid of our £500,000 restoration appeal, and we were all impressed by their courtesy, not only to us,

ing that the canal continues to justify entirely the foresight and bravery of the deeds of its founders and that it will continue

#### but to each other. They were so well mannered and kind.

Press cuttings of the event were sent to us from all over Britain, and the reports were well written, amusing and accurate. In fact, it was a happy experience. Which is why it has since

distressed us to learn that our visitors that day, young men and women of the media, belong to a communications industry threatened in the new year by the possible imposition of "privacy laws" advocated by those, particularly in public life, whose own private lives should be available to scrutiny anyway in our democratic society.

#### Cricket mission plea on S Africa case of the South African Cricket

Union and other cricketing au-

thorities from South Africa by

sending a fact-finding mission to

that country. We should also urge

those cricketers who will be play-

ing in South Africa in the next

months to assist in the coaching of

youngsters, and we believe that

their visit could help to promote

the long-term interests of young

We recognise the real changes

that have been brought about by

boycotts, but accept the view that

now is the time for inspiration, as

within South Africa itself cricket is

now known and accepted as a

DENIS COMPTON,
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Freedom in Sport International,

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black enthusiasts.

force for change.

Yours faithfully, PETER MAY.

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January 4.

DAVID BAIRSTOW,

DAVID BROWN, DENIS COMPTON,

From Mr Peter May and others Sir, As former England and senior county players, we wish to place on record our admiration and appreciation for the work being carried out by the South African Cricket Union to promote the interests of cricket to all races in South Africa.

We were privileged to be present during the centenary celebrations last year to mark the first Test match between England and South Africa in Port Elizabeth in 1889. During that visit we witnessed the excellent coaching initiatives in the black townships by Dr Ali Bacher and his team, and saw at first hand the various attempts being made by the South African Cricket Union to improve facilities for all cricketers in what, to us, was an alien environment.

We share the South African Cricket Union's distaste of the apartheid system and applaud their efforts to break down the constitutional barriers between races by sporting contact.

We believe that this enterprise should now be encouraged by further international support, and would urge the International Cricket Conference to hear the

Philosophy for sport

Sir, Your leading article, "Unfair game" (December 29) justly acknowledges the "important service" done by Mr Colin Moynihan, the Minister for Sport, and Mr Menzies Campbell, the Liberal

Democrats' spokesman on sport,

for having put anabolic steroids

firmly en route to the statute

book". Such progress, however, also directs attention to an even

greater problem for the whole of British sport, as defined by the creator of the role of minister for

sport, Lord Hailsham of St

Marylebone, nearty 30 years ago.

He recalled, in *The Door Wherein I Went* (1975) how during the early 1960s he explained to Mr Macmillan's Cabinet the "need, not for a ministry, but for a

focal point under a minister", and

more significantly, "for a coherent body of doctrine, perhaps even a philosophy of government en-couragement", in relation to "gov-

ernment responsibility for sport".

since then have implemented

regularly the first of these two

requirements, beginning with Lord Hailsham in 1962, during his

period of office as minister for

science and technology. The inter-

vening years have progressively emphasised the necessity for not only re-thinking the minister's

constitutional legal status as an under-secretary in the Depart-

ment of the Environment but also

continued absence of any coherent

Government policy or philosophy

concerning sport.

Successive prime ministers

From Mr Edward Grayson

#### If effective action in these two areas had been taken by now, would it have been necessary for the present steroids decision to wait for over two years since the Home Office's reported an-nouncement that it had asked the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs to consider whether steroids should be included in the

Misuse of Drugs Act 1971. Even more bizarre is the position whereby planning per-mission for user changes from school or other playing fields to building or industrial purposes is granted by the Department of the Environment which houses the minister for sport, with no statutory role for the Department of Education.

An equally eccentric example emerged during the Prime Minister's decision to legislate against soccer hooligans. Her earliest advisers involved senior ministers from the Home Office, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, and the environment and law officers departments.

British sport enters a new decade in competition with other countries which do not suffer the gross imbalance existing here between Sports and Arts councils state funding. Who does or can argue its case independently at Cabinet or Treasury level? The answer must be no one. That is the real "unfair game" today.

I am, Sir, your faithfully, EDWARD GRAYSON. 4 Paper Buildings, Temple, EC4.

City and East End

Sir, The inequity represented by

the City and its relationship with

the East End and the Bangladeshis

cannot be begun to be reversed unless those like Mr Lee Williams (January 2) and Mr Wade (January 2)

ary 4) are seen to be acting in

response to the Bangladeshis'

democratic wishes. So far, no

evidence exists that either Toyn-

bee Hall or the Lloyd's Commu-

nity Programme is run along the

The Committee for Bangla-

deshis' Rights in the United Kingdom, which has been at the

forefront of the campaign for the

establishment of the Bangladeshis'

legitimate rights since July, 1989,

has not received a single indica-

tion from either organisation ask-

ing us about the wishes, let alone

the demands of the Bangladeshis.

MUHAMMAD HAQUE

Committee for Bangladeshis'

183 Cannon Street Road, El.

Rights in the United Kingdom,

to play an important role in the

ROBERT HOUGH, Chairman,

The Manchester Ship Canal Co,

Sir, The designer of the Man-

chester Ship Canal opened in 1894, Sir Leader (not Leander)

Williams, was my great uncle. His brother, Benjamin Williams Lead-

er, RA, was commissioned to

paint the canal in construction

(pictures now in Tatton Hall,

He used to tell us that, when

sketching by the canal side he was

watched by two workmen, and

heard one say to the other. "That

bloke has a fist what won't let him

Knutsford, Cheshire).

Dock Office, Trafford Road,

From Mrs Gerald Critchley

(Chairman),

region's future. Yours faithfully

Manchester 5.

lines fitting this description.

#### House of pairs From Mr Muhammad Haque

From Mr Andrew Faulds, MP for Warley East (Labour) Sir, Nigel Williamson (Diary, January 3) compared those in the House of Commons who use the traditional pairing arrangements and those who disdain them.

MPs who are less constantly in the House may well be more constant to their duties, which include absences at constituency engagements, executive attendances at meetings of extra parliamentary societies, embassy functions, travels to international organisations such as the Council of Europe, Western European Union, Nato and so on.

The rituals of the House are frequently of less importance than an MP's extra-mural involve-ments, which some of us in the real world of political work take on. Simon Stylites, stuck in one spot in self-imposed suffering, proved only his obduracy.

Sincerely, ANDREW FAULDS, House of Commons.

#### Flourishing canal From the Chairman of the

Manchester Ship Canal Co Sir, I read with interest your feature, "On This Day" (January 2) reporting on the opening of the Manchester Ship Canal on January 1, 1894.

I am pleased to say that not only is the canal still held in great affection by those in the region, but it also remains a vital artery linking Manchester and the surrounding industrial heartland. In 1989 the canal handled over 8 million tonnes of traffic and remains a major UK port. This year an extensive modernisation programme starts.

As the centenary of the opening approaches, it is therefore hearten-

#### We feel very strongly about this

starve!"

Yours faithfully.

PHYLLIS CRITCHLEY.

34a Elizabeth Street, SW1.

at Tyburn. For we have a kinship with the media since our convent is dedicated to Christian martyrs whose only crime was to say and write what others didn't want them to.

Our blessing, therefore, to the British media in this new year, and may all of you who came to our convent for our snooker championship, and their colleagues, win the good fight for your uninhibited freedom.

Yours sincerely, H. XAVIER Tyburn Convent 8 Hyde Park Place, W2. December 30.

#### Kingly moment in Romania

From Mr David Cregeen
Sir, Mr B. D. J. Meehan (January
2) points ore ut that, in the power
vacuum resulting from recent events in Eastern Europe, there are legitimate heads of state constitutionally available.

As it happens, at the time of the overthrow of the Ceausescu régime, I was staying with the Romanian royal family in Geneva and attended, with them and a largely Romanian congregation, the Christmas Eve service at the Russian Orthodox Church.

Part of the service specifically recalled the memory of those killed in the continued fighting. King Michael, obviously moved represented the pride, sorrow and hope of the Romanians present. As they approached his tall figure the word "Majeste" was uttered almost in a whisper and sounded like a prayer.

Romania has a king, a king who was crowned head of state and who courageously drove out the Nazis. As he said in his Christmas message broadcast to his compatriots this year.

I am with you as I always have been even when you could not hear me, to help you in any way that is in my power. As in our motto, Nihil sine Dea, God bless you all. Long live

I hope the Romanians are allowed to have their king back. Yours sincerely, DAVID CREGEEN, The Studio, St Andrew's House, 76 Roupell Street, SE1.

January 2.

From Mr James D. Graham Sir. Most of us are hoping that the events in Eastern Europe are not a false dawn; that the communist dictatorships will not be replaced by other authoritarian regimes.

Let us also hope that what is happening in the Far East, specifically in China, is not the end of liberalisation but what the Shetlanders call the simmer dim: the short midsummer night when it is never truly dark and the new day is close at hand. Yours faithfully, D. GRAHAM, 544 Paisley Road West, Glasgow.

#### Naming the nineties

From Mrs Pamela Holmes Sir, Mrs Stewart-Wallace, in her letter (January 1) is perhaps a bit premature in contemplating a suitable epithet for the nineties which have just clocked in. Let us hope it won't be Nasty. Yours truly, PAMELA HOLMES,

West Hythe, Kent. January 1.

From Mr Paul Gotch Sir, Let us hope that by 2000 AD we can name and remember the decade as the Nicer Nineties Yours sincerely, PAUL GOTCH, 15a Copse Hill, Wimbledon, SW20. January 2.

From Mr Adrian Brodkin Sir, In optimistic spirit at this beginning of the new decade, I am looking forward to the Non-Nuclear Nineties. Yours faithfully, ADRIAN BRODKIN, 93 Kingsley Way, N2.

From Mrs M. E. Berry Sir, in view of our coming links with Europe, and the crumbling barriers between so many countries, would the Neighbourly Nineties be appropriate? Yours hopefully, MARGARET E. BERRY, 20 Park Crescent, Harrow, Middlesex. January 2.

From Mr D. B. Kelly Sir, If the utterances of our lords, masters, and their spokespersons continue in their present vein Mrs Stewart-Wallace may find that this decade shall be known as the Nebulous Nineties. Yours truly. D. B. KELLY, 34 Gunterstone Road, W14.

From Mr Laurence Woodham Sir, Although possibly not so enjoyable, should the environmental movement continue to gather momentum, is it conceivable that instead of naughty, this decade may come to be known as the Natural Nineties? Yours faithfully.

LAURENCE WOODHAM Little Park Farm, Battle, East Sussex. January 2.

From Mr Jan Woloniecki Sir, May I suggest the Nervous. Nineties as a suitable description for what is likely to be a turbulent decade.

Yours faithfully J. W. WOLONIECKI. 5 The Old Granary, Dixies High Street. Ashwell, Hertfordshire.

From Mr James R. Cullen Sir, In view of the staggering amounts of debt, both here and in the rest of the world, might not the Never-never Nineties be an appropriate title?

Yours sincerely JAMES R. CULLEN. 2 Church Street, Ewell Village, Epsom, Surrey. January I.

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### **COURT**

SANDRINGHAM
January 5: The Queen was
represented by Mr Dennis
Young (acting Governor-General of Papua New Guinea) at
the funeral of His Excellency Sir
Ignatius Kilage (Governor-General of Papua New Guinea)
which was held in St Mary's
Cathedral, Fort Moresby, this
morning.

morning.
The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were represented by the Viscount De L'Isle, VC, KG, at the funeral of the Earl of Drogheda, KG, which was held in St George's Chapel, Windsor

CLARENCE HOUSE January 5: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was represented by the Lord Carrington, KG, at the funeral of the Earl of Drogheda, KG, which was held in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle today.

KENSINGTON PALACE January 5: The Prince and Princess of Wales were repre-sented by the Earl Waldegrave, KG, at the funeral of the Earl of Drogheda, KG, which was held in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, today.

KENSINGTON PALACE
January 5: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was
present this evening at a Gala Performance by Austen Brothers Circus held in the Big Top,
Battersea Park, in aid of London
Lighthouse and Body Positive.
The Hon Mrs Whitehead was

January 5: The Duke and Duchess of Kent were represented by Mr Andrew Palmer at the funeral of the Earl of Drogheda, KG, which was held in St George's Chapel, Windsor Cas-

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE January 5: Princess Alexandra was represented by Miss Mona Mitchell at the Funeral of the Earl of Drogheda, KG, which was held in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, today.

#### **Clifford Longley**

# The sin of Simon Magus, first religious consumer

Canadian Anglicans last year made the revealing discovery that the one word that summed it all up was "consumerism." The average church-goer saw himself as a consumer of religion, the survey concluded, much as he might consume goods and services of other more material kinds.

This is a fascinating flash of illumination on the whole state and status of religion in modern Western secular multi-cultural democracies. A consumer is someone who pays his money and takes his choice. Religiously, he stands in a supermarket of ideas, beliefs and observances, taking down from the shelf what appeals to him. He is not necessarily selective, adopting a "pick 'n' mix" approach to religion, for he may only have popped in for one loaf of bread. But the basis of his relationship to the goods he buys is specific and contractual. He buys what he wants, and consumes it. If it does not please him, he does not buy it

This is too close to the truth to be comfortable, and not just for Canadians and not just for Anglicans. Regardless of political or religious preferences, this is the free market applied where it does not

The difficulty for religious organizations in the West is that however much they may dislike this as a true picture of what actually happens, there seems to be almost no escape from it. If every other department of life has become consumer-orientated, then that sets the cultural expectations for the whole. Canadian Anglicans certainly did not learn from their church to regard religion as something to be bought and consumed, even less from their Bibles. They learnt it in their high streets and televisions, and took it with them into

It has all the warning markings of a half-truth. People must be free to choose their own fundamental beliefs. If the state is not to be allowed to impose them, individuals must conduct the search

available however they wish. But the Canadian survey implied that this attitude of consumerism applied not just to basic choices but to the whole religious life. It was also how the respondents reacted to the church at a more routine and mundane level.

They shopped around, until they found what they wanted in the type and style of services. They went to church when they felt it was what they needed to do. The focus was all the time on the autonomous individual, the choicemaking consumer, who selected in the area of religion what he felt would meet his immediate needs or wants, just as he might select a new car, with or without ash trays and power steering. And of course, as an honest man, he will willingly pay for the goods and services

The implication was that the church had to respond like a good retailer, adapting the products on sale to suit the market. No doubt product loyalty can be built up by good sales technique, and the gentle knocking of rival firms and wares. But product loyalty would have replaced true commitment. Should religion be so careless of market forces as to demand things rather than offer them, for instance to act in such a way as to make neonle less rather than more comfortable, then the logic of competition would assert itself and people would look elsewhere for their instant spiritual

While true enough to modern life, this is a ghastly parody of religion. The danger to the church is that it will fall into the consumerist trap, and play the game of best-buys, special offers, this week's new model, and the "Good Church Guide" - every bishop with his sell-by date, every prayer book with its shelf-life. And the ideal consumer will be the Woody Allen character who shops around and tries everything, until he finds something he likes, at a fair price.

A consumer-oriented attitude would not do so much harm if it was confined to the supply of religious superficialities, such as the choice of hymns or a

But the warning in the Canadian survey was that it can go deeper, and that religion itself was beginning to be treated as if it was a piece of personal property or service, chosen according to the same criteria as other things to be bought, with value for money as the only true test. Religion was becoming judged as if it was a financial and contractual

If this represents the ultimate danger it also suggests a possible point of recovery. The language of contract and covenant is not absent from the Bible, though only by the shallowest of analogies is it a financial one. The deal on offer is that in return for a commitment from His people, God will be faithful. Furthermore there is a profound biblical analogy between this and a marriage contract.

But the debts and duties incurred in such a contract are not to be settled by money. Economists and lawyers have come to treat contracts as binding agreements to do something, on the one side, in return for a cash payment, on the other. That is the consumerist reduction. But a contract can just as well be a binding commitment to do something by one party, in return for a binding commitment to do something else, by the other - without either action having a cash equivalent or being thought capable of having one.In marriage the commit-ment is to the three traditional Augustinian "goods", fidelity, permanence, and child-bearing, the first two of which at least are enshrined in common law as the basis of the definition of the state of matrimony, while the third is heavily

To reduce the obligations of one side of the relationship to the payment of money, while the other side still delivers the goods, is called prostitution. In religion it is the traffic in sacred things, called simony after Simon the Magician who offered to buy the power of the Holy Spirit. At least the sin of religious consumerism now has a name; and it always helps to name the sin.

#### **OBITUARIES**

#### AIR VICE-MARSHAL GEORGE LOTT

One of the very 'first of the few'

figure of war and peace, died on December 31 at the age of 83. He spent a total of 37 years in the service and it was only a severe war wound that ended his operational days as a pilot.

By 1939 his experience, personal ability and leader-ship qualities had made him one of a very small group of pivotal leaders around whom the expansion of the RAF became possible and without whom the "few" would not have had the ability to win the Battle of Britain.

A flying career in fighters earned him command early in the Second World War of the famous 43 Hurricane Squadron then based at Tangmere, Sussex.

Charles George Lott was born in Sandown, Isle of Wight, on October 28, 1903, the son of a railwayman. Following an early interest in engineering stimulated at Portsmouth Junior Technical School, he entered the Royal Air Force as a Halton aircraft apprentice in 1922. He was among the early Halton "Brats" to be picked for flying training and he remustered to general duties, non-commissioned pilot, in 1928. It was to be another five years before Lott was commissioned, by which time he had joined 19 Squadron at Duxford.

For three years before the war Fit-Lt Lott served in Iraq as an intelligence officer following a short spell in his section and who was days Yorkshire with 41 Squadron. He dealt with the sheikhs of shot down was greeted by Lott the Gulf States with great tact, on his return to Tangmere

Dr Alberto Lleras Camargo, who served two terms as

January 4, aged 83.

and held the post till 1952.

Lieras was a cultured and

of Cuba with seeking to make

Air Vice-Marshal George For a while in 1938 and during the young officer's untidity to Lott, CB, CBE, DSO, DFC, a celebrated Royal Air Force No 11 Group Intelligence.

Squadron into war, hostilities were only weeks old when the newly-promoted Squadron Leader took command at Tangmere. Soon 43 Squadron was posted to Acklington, a peacetime summer practice camp. On Christmas Day 1939 he flew, as it turned out, a purely one-hour defensive patrol. To his chagrin, as he was spending a few days' leave, he missed engaging the Luftwaffe early in 1940 when convoy protection was a vital

part of operations. Under Lott's command were several men later to become aces - Frank Carey, Jim Hallowes (both Halton apprentices like their Commanding Officer). Peter Townsend and Dalton

Back in No 11 Group, 43 Squadron went into action over Dunkirk and its pilots in one day shot down nine ME109s and ME110s for the loss of one pilot. Patrols reached as far as Amiens and Abbeville, northern France. By early 1940 Lott's per-sonal tally was four enemy

aircraft destroyed, but losses,

too, were mounting.

The moustached Lott possessed a formidable military bearing and was a disciplinarian with a tremendous interest in his young pilots, he to them seeming very mature at 34. One young pilot who flew in adrift in France after being

DR ALBERTO LLERAS CAMARGO

Twice President of Colombia

If Lott did not quite take 43 you brought that all the way nome?" The young pilot replied: "I know this one works, sir. I may have to use it

By a cruel irony Lott can be said to have missed the Battle of Britain - that is he did not qualify for the Campaign Clasp — because only one day before the battle officially opened on July 10 he was severely wounded in the face in combat over the sea off Littlehampton. He mused his burning Hurricane near to base before baling out, the aeroplane crashing on Fontwell race course a short distance from the airfield.

Being out of the battle with the loss of one eye merely interrupted Lott's zest. He flew again non-operationally: his flying career eventually progressed from the Avro 504 through 80 different types to conclude with the Hunter, but always the Hurricane dominated his memories. By 1944 he had joined an RAF delegation to the United States. In 1947 he reached the rank of Group Captain and was promoted to Air Commodore in 1954, serving as the Director of Air Defence Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, 1955-57. He became

His last role, before retiring in 1959, was as Commandant. School of Land/Air Warfare. For many years he was Vice-President of 43 Squadron Association.

an Air Vice-Marshal in 1956.

He is survived by his wife resourcefulness and diplo- with the quip: "You've been a and their two sons and a macy in their own language. long time. Why?" Pointing to daughter.

#### **Funeral**

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh were represented by Viscount De L'Isle, VC, at the funeral and presentation of the banner of the Earl of Drogheda held yesterday in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle. Queen Elizabeth The Queen

Mother was represented by Lord Carrington, CH, the Prince of Wales by Earl Waldegrave, the Duke and Duchess of Kent by Mr Andrew Palmer and Prin-cess Alexandra by Miss Mona

The Very Rev Patrick Mitchell, Dean of Windsor and Register of the Order of the Garter, officiated. Canon John White read the lesson, Dr George Rylands, CH, read from Thomas Campion's The Man of Life, Sonnet 116 by William Shakespeare and Francis Ba-

con's Of Gardens.
The Bishop of Winchester, Prelate of the Order of the Garter, and the Dean of Chichester were robed. The Military Knights of Windsor were in attendance. Among others

present were:

The Earl and Courtiess of Drogheda (son and daughter-(rt-law). Viscount Moore (grandson): the Dute of Devarishire, the Marcuses of Abergavermy, the Marcuses of Salabury. The Counties of Earl and October of Earl and Viscountees of Gowife, Viscount and Viscountees Gamines of Gowife, Viscount and Viscountees Haltenham, Viscountees De L'sie, the Dowsger Viscountees to L'sie, the Dowsger Viscountees Tambieden, Lord and Lady Arustrong of Inninster, Lord and Lady Arustrong of Amisfield, Lady Carrington, Lord and Lady Devirents of Amisfield, Lady Egremont, Lord and Lady Harlech. Davine Lady Poole, Lord Rees-Moga, Lord Goodman, CA, Lady Harlech, Davine Lady Poole, Lord Rees-Moga, Lord and Lady Poole, Lord Frees-Moga, Lord and Lady Richardson of Dunisbourne, Lady Renavick, Salasbury of Presion Candover, Lady Valzey.

#### **Eton College**

Eton College opens tomorrow for the Lent Half. There are 1,273 boys in the school. T. Cunningham, KS, continues as captain of the school and T.G.M. Mischeson, OS, as Captain of the Oppidans. The examination for junior scholar-ships will be held on February 3 and for sixth form scholarships on February 9-10. Long leave will be from February 14-18. The Visitor, the Bishop of Lincoln, will officiate at services of Confirmation in College Chapel on March 10 and 11. Business week starts on March 12 and school closes on March

# Forthcoming marriages

Mr R.L. Jones

Mr R.L. Jones
and Miss H.C. Methuen
The engagement is announced between Robert Liewelyn, elder son of Mr and Mrs D.Li. Jones, of Reigate, Surrey, and Kittie, younger daughter of the Hon R.A.H. and Mrs Methuen, of

and Miss A.M. Banks

The engagement is announced between Andrew McGregor, elder son of Mr and Mrs Derek Barron, of Hadley Wood, Hertfordshire, and Amanda Mary, daughter of Mrs Gillian Banks and the late Mr Donald Banks, of Titchfield,

Mr G.P.C. Bartrem and Miss E.S. Booker

The engagement is announced between Geoffrey, son of Mr and Mrs C.L. Bartum, of Greatham, Hants, and Emma Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs M.F.W. Booker, of Hambledon,

and Miss M.B. Robertson

The engagement is announced between Gareth Charles, only son of Mr and Mrs Charles A. Eastbourne, East Sussex, and ter of The Reverend Charles and Mrs Robertson, Manse of Canongate, Edinburgh.

Mr P.H.C. Bols

The engagement is announced Mrs D.R.S. Bols, of Knebworth Herts, and Kate, daughter of The Reverend Canon and Mrs A.N. Barnard, of Lichfield, Staffs.

Mr R. Borles and Miss N. Robinson

The engagement is announced between Roger, only son of Mr and Mrs F. Borley, of Old Newton, Suffolk, and Nicola, only daughter of Mrs and the late Mr R. Robinson, of Frankston, Victoria, Australia.

Mr A. Chell

and Miss P.J. Higgins
The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs Brian H. Chell. of Newtown Linford, Leicestershire, and Philippa Jane, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Terence Higgins, of Quorn, Leicestershire.

Marriage

The Hon Jocelyn Carnegie and Miss S.M. Butler Miss S.M. Butter
The marriage took place yesterday in St Giles Cathedral,
Edinburgh, of the Hon Jocelyn
Carnegic, only son of Major
R.A. Carnegic, of Crimonmogate, Lonmay, Aberdeenshire,
and of the late Countess of
Erroll to Miss Speic Butter only Erroll, to Miss Susie Butler, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T.M.H. Butler, of Garvald Hotel, Garvald, East Lothian. The Rev Gilleasbuig MacMillan

officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by ber father, was attended by Sophia Harding-Newman, Lady Amelia Hay, Lord Hay, Thomas Rattray, Peter Sherman and Miss Nicola Robinson. Mr James Donald was best man was best man. A reception was held at Hopetoun House, South

Queensferry, Mid Lethian, and

the honeymoon will be spent in

**Appointments** 

Mr David Wright to be Ambassador to Korea, in succession to Mr L. J. Middleton, who will be retiring from the Diplomatic

Service. Mr Don Anderson to be national officer for Northern Ireland for the Independent Broadcasting

Mr S.D.J. Clarke
and Miss H.V.M. Smart
The engagement is announced
between Stephen, only son of
Mr and Mrs Amos Clarke of
Oxford, and Helen, younger
daughter of Mr and Mrs lan
Smart of Wootton by Smart, of Wootton by

Mr E.H. Driggs and Miss C.E.J. Pickering The engagement is announced between Edmund Hope Driggs and Caroline Elizabeth Jane Pickering, both of 7, Egerton Gardens Mews, London SW3.

and Miss M.S. Lever The engagement is announced between Robert Christopher, second son of the late Mr Desmond Edkins and Mrs Althea Edkins, of Howick, Natal, and Madeline Sarah, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Oliver Lever, of Malvern.

Dr N.H. Ellwood and Miss U.M. Leigh

The engagement is announced between Neil, only son of Mr and Mrs William Ellwood, of Smallfield, Surrey and Ursula, only daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Derek Leigh of May Hill,

Mr J.P. Foody and Miss M.J. Bramall

The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs Brendan Foody, of Bramhope, Yorkshire, and Melanie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Tony Bramall, of Leathley,

Mr J. Forrest and Miss S.E. McIntosh

The engagement is announced between Jonathon, only son of Mr James Forrest, o Hoathley, Sussex, and Sheena Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Donald C. McIntosh, of Handen Farm, Aldington, Kent.

Mr J.M. Gliksten and Miss L. Park

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Gliksten, and Lesley, daughter of Mr and Mrs Andrew Park. The marriage will take place in Scotland, in the

BIRTHS: Richard II, reigned 1377-99, Bordeaux, 1367; Saint

Joan of Arc. Domremy, France, 1412; Jakob Bernoulli, math-

ematician, Baset, 1654; Jacques Etienne Montgolfier, balloonist, Annonay, France, 1745; Heinrich Schliemann, archaeologist, Newbuckow, Germany, 1822; Gustave Dore, artist and book illustrator, Strasbour, 1832; Carl Sardbarn

bourg, 1832; Carl Sandburg, poet, Gatesburg, Illinois, 1878.

DEATHS: Baldassare Peruzzi,

DEATHS: Baldassare Peruzzi, architect, Rome, 1536; Fanny Burney, novelist and diarist, London, 1840; Hartley Coleridge, writer, Grasmere, Cumbria, 1849; Louis Braille, founder of the system bearing his name, Paris, 1852; Richard Heary Dana, writer, Rome, 1882; Gregor Mendel, geneticist, Bruo, Czechoslovakia, 1884; Theodore Roosevelt, 26th president of the USA 1901-09, Oyster Bay, New York, 1911.

Oyster Bay, New York, 1911.

Sir John Fletcher-Cooke, of

Sir John Pietcher-Cooke, or Riberac, Dordogne, France, Conservative MP for Southampton Test 1964-66, left estate in the United Kingdom valued between £25,000 and \$40,000.

Latest wills

Today

and Mrs Brian Henson, of Harrow, Middlesex, and Margaret Imelda, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Stainton, of Sandy, Poliforthism

and Miss M.L. Stainton

Sandy, Bedfordshire, Captain T.H. Hext and Miss C.S. Mackechnie The engagement is announced between Thomas Henry Hext, between Inomas Henry Hext,
The Light Infantry, youngest
son of the late Mr Jack Hext and
of Mrs Jack Hext, of St Maby,
Cornwall, and Camilla Sophie,
youngest daughter of Mr and
Mrs Alistair Mackechnie of
Twickenham Middleser

The engagement is announced between Paul Robert, son of Mr

Twickenham, Middlesex.

Mr R.J. Jaffray and Miss J.B. Mila The engagement is announced between Robin John, son of Mr and Mrs B.J. Jaffray of Lymington, Hampshire and Julie Barbara, daughter of Mr and Mrs C.F. Milnes of Christ-

Mr A.D. Peddie and Miss N.R. Arora

church, Dorset.

The engagement is announced between Andrew David, elder son of Mr and Mrs Peter Peddie, of Bannisters Farmbouse, Mattingley Green, and Nina Renate, daughter of Mr and Mrs P.C. Arora, of Eweland Hall,

Margaretting. Mr J.A. Reid and Miss E.R. Needham

The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mrs Jean Reid, of Effingham, Surrey, and the late Judge J.A. Reid, and Beth, daughter of Mrs Isabel Needham, of Chinley, Derbyshire, and the late Mr E.A.

Needham. Mr J.L. Rishworth

and Miss C.J. Pearce The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mr C. Paslew Moriarty-Rishworth and the late Mrs Olive Rishworth, of Northleach, Glos, and stepson of Mrs Joan Moriarty-Rishworth, and Claire, elder daughter of Major (retd) and Mrs W.A.O. Pearce, of Patterdown, Chippenham,

Mr L.M.L. Rolland and Miss E.E.H. Watson

The engagement is announced between Michael, elder son of Mr and Mrs Lawrence Rolland, of Newburn, Fife, and Elizabeth, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Watson, of Cambridge.

BIRTHS: Millard Fillmore. 13th president of the USA 1850

53; Locke Township, New York, 1800; Saint Bernadette of

Lourdes (Marie-Bernarde Soubirous), Lourdes, 1844; Charles Péguy, poet, Orléans, 1873; François Poulenc, com-poser, Paris, 1899.

DEATHS: Catherine of Aragon,

first wife of Henry VIII, Kimbolton, Huntingdon, 1536; Richard Hilliard, miniaturist,

London, 1619; François de Salignac de la Mothe Fénelon,

writer, archbishop of Cambrai, 1715; Allan Ramsay, poet, Edin-burgh, 1758; Sir Thomas Law-

rence, painter, president of the

Royal Academy, 1820-30; London, 1830; Andrey Bely, novelist and poet, Moscow,

The University of Glasgow was

Mrs Charlotte Joan Rugg, of Kingston, Lewes, East Sussex, left estate valued at £214,765

nct. She left £11,500 and some

furniture to personal legatees and the residue to the Royal

founded, 1450.

**Anniversaries** 

Tomorrow

The engagement is announced between Christopher, eldest son of Mr G. Rumbold, of Kingston upon Thames, and Mrs D. Rumbold, of Wimbledon, and

between Henry Daniel, youn-gest son of Mrs A.A. Shires and of the late Mr S.G.M. Shires, of Clifford, West Yorkshire, and Eilean Shona, daughter of Mr and Mrs I Gillies, of Sandal,

Mr N.D. Standish

and Miss R.J. Lewis The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs G.E. Standish, of Worcester Park, Surrey, and Rebecca, younger daughter of Mr J.A. Lewis and the late Mrs Anne Lewis, of Blackboys, East

The engagement is announced between Alasdair, son of Mr and Mrs Norman Tebbutt, of St

The engagement is announced between Duncan, second son of Mr and Mrs George Webster, of Conderton, Gloucestershire, and Philippa, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul Clifford, of

Mr J.P. White

and Miss J.F. Chilton The engagement is announced between John Paul, son of Mr and Mrs John White, of Rich-mond, Surrey, and Jacqueline Fiona, only daughter of the late Mr Richard Chilton and of Mrs Flora Chilton, of North Berwick, Scotland, formerly of Horley, Surrey.

and Dr E.M.C. Ward

of the late Mr and Mrs F.B. Wills, of Bishop's Stortford Herts, and Eileen, eldest daugh-ter of Mrs Kathleen Ward and the late Mr James Ward, of

**Ardingly College** The Lent Term at Ardingly

The Junior School 11+ Scholarships and Government Assisted Places competition will take place on February 3, Music Scholarships will take place on February 5 and 6. Art, Drama and Sports Scholarships and the first competition for the Ashdown Awards for All-rounders will take place during the week commencing March 12. The Art Department will visit

Dinner

Association of Amesthetists Dr Maurice Burrows, President of the Association of Anaesthetists, and Mrs Burrows

included:

and Miss K.A.M. Anders

Katherine, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs C.J. Anders, of Woking, Surrey.

and Miss E.S. Gillies
The engagement is announced

Mr A.C.F. Tebbutt and Miss A.M. Lumsden

Neots, Cambridgeshire, and Alice, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Lumsden, of West Studdal, Kent.

Mr D. Wehster

and Miss P. Clifford

Mr A.R.R. Wills

The engagement is announced between Anthony, younger sor

College begins on Sunday, January 7. Jason M. Hartless (Woodard) is Head Prefect. The Art Department will visit Paris from the January 15-19. The Choral Society will give a performance of Haydn's Creation on Saturday, March 18 and the Ardingly Singers will present an Anthology of Music for Lent and Passiontide on the 21 March Term ends on Friday. 21 March. Term ends on Friday,

received the guests at the winter dinner held last night at the Waldorf Hotel. The guests 

#### President of Colombia and was the first Secretary-General of the Organization of Ameri-can States, died in Bogotá on As a dominant figure of Colombia's Liberal party he was President from 1958 to

1962, having already stepped before into that post in 1945 when Interior Minister and completing the term after a Liberal predecessor resigned midstream in a crisis. He was Secretary-General of the Washington-based Organisation of American States from 1948 when it replaced the old-PanAmerican

distinguished man personally, with a high reputation as administrator, newspaper editor, teacher and diplomat and was one of his country's finest orators. His career spanned 50 years. He had been his country's Ambassador to Washington when aged only 36 and remained all his life a strong supporter of the United States in that hemisphere. He was vigorously anti-Communist and charged President Castro

Colombia "the Victnam of South America." But he was also a prominent member of Colombia's oligarthe twin challenges of poverty and violence. He was one of the leaders who gave a veneer

of democracy to the Andean nation's political institutions. It was he who negotiated for the Liberals with his Conservative opposite number the curious system devised to permit the two parties to birth control in Colombia. At

With President Eisenhower in Washington in 1960

cally every four years between 1958 and 1974 to the exclusion of all other parties. He was the first to benefit from a system which, however, over the years left the voters increasingly disillusioned and

frustrated. As a journalist he was long sociated with Colombia's best known daily and organ of the Liberal party, El Tiempo, chical political system which and was later editor of the increasingly faltered before *Time*-style news magazine Time-style news magazine

Vision\_ Lleras showed an understanding the need for greater regional collaboration in Latin America and in 1961 he helped establish the Latin American Free Trade Association to reduce tariff barriers. He was also an advocate of

1965 be attacked his country's Catholic Church, the government and himself for failing to recognize the size and importance of the problem for his country's chances of economic development.

While President the government passed a Land Reform Act but the intense opposition it promptly ran into illustrated

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the landowning classes' resistance to any structural change. Lleras again showed aware-ness of the country's acute social needs when he en-couraged cheap housing schemes to help those in the shanty towns around Bogotá. In 1961 he inaugurated Ciudad Kennedy with President Kennedy in the hopeful days of Washington's hemispheric effort, the Alliance for

began writing for the newly-founded United States jour-

By 1930 Fussell, who also

served for a period as Librar-

ian to the Ministry, was

coming to be regarded as an

nal, Agricultural History.

#### succeed each other automati- an international conference in DR G. E. FUSSELL Recording England's agricultural history

Fussell's career as an his- these was published in 1922.

Dr G. E. Fussell, a pioneer of torian began in the 1920s Other articles followed and he when, while a civil servant at began writing for the newlyagricultural history in this country, died on January 1, aged 100. Among his most the Ministry of Agriculture, he published his first articles and important works were a hiscontinued to do so throughout tory of the development of the long period of his retireagricultural implements and machines, The Farmer's Tools (1952), which has become a ment from the Ministry after 1949. He eventually produced standard text on the subject, more than 25 books and well and a series of bibliographical over 600 articles. studies of the early literature

of farming
This bibliographical work culminated after the Second World War in the publication of The Old English Farming Books and More Old English Farming Books in 1947 and 1950 covering the periods 1523-1730 and 1731-1793 respectively.

The third and fourth vol-umes, 1796-1839 and 1840-1860, were published in 1983 and 1984. A fifth and final volume, 1860-1900, has been completed, though not yet

offices of those days afforded him ample opportunity to continue his education. In 1909 he entered the then Board of Agriculture and Fisheries. After the First World War his superior suggested a joint series of articles on the history

boy clerk. The leisurely at-

mosphere of Civil Service

George Edwin Fussell was

authority in a new field. Professional recognition was born at Weymouth on September 10, 1889. In 1906 he entered the War Office as a symbolised by his election as a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society in 1933. During 1952-53 Fussell played a prominent part in the establishment of the British

University of Exeter, In 1941 he married Kathof farm machinery for the Journal of the Ministry of Agriculture and the first of together with their daughter. co-authored several of his

Agricultural History Society

and later served as its Presi-

dent. In 1970 received a

honorary D Litt from the

Birthdays

TODAY: Major K.G. Adams, 70; Mr Rowan Atkinson, actor and comedian. 35; Mr Paul Azinger, golfer, 30; Lord Balfour of Burleigh. 63; Sir Ashley Bramall, former chairman, GLC, 74; Major-General Sir Hamish Campbell, 85; Sir Robert Clark deputy chairman, TSB Group, 66: Mr John Croft, criminologist and oil painter, 67: Mr Kapil Dev, cricketer, 31; vics, author and broadcaster, 54; General Sir Martin Farndale, Mr Gerald Durrell, zoologist 61; Sir Hugh Fish, water sciand writer, 65; Sir James

entist, 67: Mr Barry John, rugby player, 45: Mr P.J. Kavanagh, writer, 59: Lord McColl of Dulwich, 57: Lord Plowden, 83: Dilwich, 57: Lora Flowden, 83; Mr Bill Sirs, trades unionist, 70; Mr J.P. Sowden, former chair-man, Costain Group, 73: Miss Sylvia Syms, actress, 56; Mr Terry Venables, football man-ager, 47: Sir Errest Woodmafe ager, 47; Sir Ernest Woodroofe, former chairman, Unikever, 78.

TOMORROW: Judge Hazel Counsell, 59; Mr Hunter Da-Mr Gerald Durreil, zoologist

Harford, former colonial administrator, 91, Sir Maynard Jenour, company chairman, 85; Mr Ian La Frenais, screenwriter and producer, 53; Sir John Page, former chairman, National Ports Council, 75; Sir Alestair Dillication Polis Council, 75; Sir Anssau-Pilkington, president, Pilkington Brothers, 70; Profes-sor K.W. Sykes, chemist, 69; Lord Taylor of Hadfield, 85; Air-Commodore the Hon Sir Peter Vanneck formar Land Meiner of Vanneck, former Lord Mayor of London, 68; Mrs Esme Walker, former chairman, Scottish Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux, 58,

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL**

Behold my servant whom I uphold; mine elect in whom my soul delightein I nave put my spirit upon him; he shall bring forth iudgement o the Gentile Isalah 42 : 1

BEARN - On Document 25th 1989, to Phili and Gink a daughter, Lucy, a sister for Charlotte. MISMOP - On Christmas Day to Jennifer (nëe Beaumont) and perer, a daughter, Katherine Louise, a sister for Isabel. Louise, a sister for habel.

BISHOP - On December 29th,
to Min and Nicholas, in
Antsterdam, a daughter.
Robin Maria, a sister for
Frances Olga.

BUTCHER - On December
25rd 1999, in Lincotn, to
Nicola stud Nicholas, a
daughter, Victoria Mary
Ruth.

Ruft.

name - On December 29th
1989, to Harold and Lyn, a
son, James Robert Harold, a
brother for Alexandra,
gaveion-On James y to
Joanna (me Ciark) and
Martin, a 500 (Laurence
Germa)

Migriin. B Son (Latirunce George).

Migriin: Of December 24th. to Katherine under welford) and Micholes. B son. John Samuel. a brother for Sarah.

LAURE - On January 2nd 1990. 15 Talita finds Stratal and David. of Paris. Franca. a son. Guy Stephen.

NEWCOMEE - On December 29th 1989. to Zila (nee Paterson) and Robert. a daughter. Claustia.

SATCHEELL - On December 20th 1989, to Mary Wilson and Youth. a daughter. Cassister for Glimore. STACET/BELL. On December 20th, to Mary and Stuart. a son. Guy Micholes.

MARRIAGES

FERGUSONGENICEJORGENSEN Nick and
Marianne were married in
Hong Kong on Wednesday
3rd January 1990
BENDERSONGAMSHAMN
On December 30th 1989 at
St Mary Magdalem Boiney.
Angus Janke of Boiney.
Sussess and Washington DC
to Betsy Helene of
Alexandria. Virginia.

ANNIVERSARIES

TINDAL-CARELL-WORSLEY: PAVIDSON - On January 7th 1950 al St. Mark's. North Audley Street. Peter to Rosemary. Still at 37 Evelyn Gardens, SW7.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

MARCOURT-ALLEN On January 6th 1940 in Stoke of Abertion. Maturice to Kale. Now in North Carry. Somersel. Juliobendia Con January 6th 1940 at Briolington. Kningth to Joan Still at Upper Weddood Village. Purley. 600 Residence of Danuary 6th 1940, see of January 6th 1940, see of

January 6th 1940. Hie Wight, John to Frances. Lo from the family.

DEATHS

ALLINE - On January 3rd 1990, at her home in Wolverhampton. Diane Dendo Alleit. Funeral Servicit and Interment at St. Nacrobias. Courth, Codeall. Wolverhampton, on Tuesday lanuary 16th at 11,30 am. No flowers by request, denations in lieu to Helen Home Homes or Children, 37 Leopoid Street. Oxford. Enquiries to F. Jennings & Sons. Wolverhampton 52251.

8511-87990 - On January 4th 1990, suddenty. John. HAMLETT - On January 4th SELL-SEVAND - On January
Ath 1990, suddenly. John.
mach loved husband of Ann.
in The Broom. St Mungo.
Corberbin. Private funeral.
Family Rowers only.

INTERESCE - On January 3rd
1990. peacefully at home.
Cive Emnord. dearly loved
husband on Enid. Inter of
Fenella. Diana and
Christopher and grandfather
of Kalle. Service of Thanksgiving at St Edmund's
Church. Allestree. Derby. on
Friday Jenuary 12th at 3.15
pm. followed by private
cremation. No Bowers
please. Donations if desired
to the Derbyshire Scouts. c/o
left J. Young. 42 Devorshire
Avenue. Allestree. Derby.
19828 - On January 4th.
peacefully in his sleep. David
John Peyton. Deloved
bushand of Elizabeth Ann.
cherished father of Carol and
Sarah and adoring brother of
Susan. Sadty missed by
January 9th at 3 private
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BOLTE - On Thursday January 4th, at 'Kiglia', Meredith. Victoria. Australia, the Honourable Sir Henry Edward Boile G.C.M.G. former Premier of Victoria from 1955-1972. Deerly beloved husband of Dame Edith Lillian (Jill) Bolte D.B.E. (the late) and brother of W.D. (Bill) Bolte of Kialia', Meredith. Victoria. Australia.

BOLTE -

Australia.

SPEEN On January 4th. peacetaily at the Raphael Centre. Hildenbormugh. William James. lately of Redwood. Penchurs: aged 72. Seloved hubband of the late Nou-Nou. dear father of Virginia and William and loved grandfather of William. David. Charles. Richard and Cordon. Family flowers only please. Richard and Cordon. Family flowers only please donations if desired to the R.N.L.I. All enquiries regarding fumeral arrangements to Hickmott & Son. 41 Crote Hill Road. Tunbridge Wells. Tel: (0892) 22462.

BROWN - On Boxing Day, peacefully in Royal Free Hospital, following a sudden short illness. Ann Brown, of Luton, formerty of Twickenham. Fumeral for family and close friends on January 11th. No flowers please, but denations to Atthetmer's Disease Society, 158 Baltham High Road, SW12 9BN, A celebration of Ann's life is to be held in March, details from family after funeral.

CIRTIS - On December 28th. John Bryant, MS. FRCS. FRACS. aged 75 years, in Melbourne. Australia. Private funeral. BODGESON - On January 4th. Citye. of Sleyning Manor. Slogursey. Bridgwater. peacefully in his 84th year. Funeral Service at Taunton Deane Crematorium on Friday January 12th at 9.50 am. No flowers please, but donatons if desired for the Ethiopian Famine Reiter Appeal many be left at the crematorium or seni lo Grandfield & Son Funeral Directors. Nether Stowey.

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EDGLEY - On January 4th
1990. peacefully in her 101st
year. Winlifed Frances
Wootland Edgley. much
loved ainth of Roomie and
Caristina and of Sally and
Brian and their family. She
will be greatly missed by
ritarity friends and relations of
all generations here and
shroad. Funeral Service at
Putney Vale Crematorium
on Thursday January 11th
at 3.30 pm Flowers and
enquiries to Mathias's of
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or if preferred donations to Save the Children Fund. Save the Calagren Fland.

EDWARDS - On January 4th
1990. at home. Albert
Anthony, belowed husband
and friend or Barbro and
much loved father of
Victoria. Thanksgiving
Service at St Mary's Church.
Wargrave. on Wednesday
January 10th at 2.30 pm.
Fanally flowers only, but
donations if desired to The
Marie Carle Foundation. c/o
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EXIME-COSS - On Christmas
Eve. peacefully at home.
Yvorme Mary Tyrel, sister of
Avery and Anthony. The
funeral has taken place. Wye. 5JG.

SOOFREY - On January 3rd 1990, Audrey Marion, of Presteigne, formerly of Bristo, al Hereford County Hospital, widow of Tom, Funeral Service at Hereford Crematorium on Thursday January 11th at 2.50 pm. Fatally flowers only. Enquiries to Geoff Hall Funeral Services, telephone: Knighton (0547) 528554. CREFFITH - On Jamuary 1st 1990. Euronwy Joan, devoted sister of Douglas. The Funeral Service will take place at Christchurch, Culidiord, Friday January 12th at 2 pm. Enquiries to J. Monk and Sons, Funeral Directors, let: (0483) 62780.

her service.

THOMAS - On January 3rd, in her 90th year, Mariorse.
Devoted wife of John. mother of Susian and leading to the susian and leading to the susian and leading to the susian and lead by music cardinale. Lon-

HAMILETT On January 4th
1990, Squadron Leader
Arthur Hamiett M.B.E.
R.A.F (Retd), of 1 Setmeston
Court. Surrey Road. Seaford.
so dearly loved husband of
Mary, loving grandfather and grandfather and
grandfather funeral
Private. Donations if wished
to R.A.F. Benevolent Fund.
67 Portland Place. London.

MOUGHTON - On January 200 Any William Houghton, at home unexpectedley, aged 60. Formerty of the Economic's Department of Sheffield University. He will be very sadly missed by his family and friends. The funeral will be held on Tuesday January 9th at 2.30 pm at St Seviour's Church. Retford. Notes and afterwards at Retford Cemetry. Family flowers only please and domations if wished to Save the Children Fund would be appreciated at St Andrew's Church.
Kildwick. Dear Kesphley.
North Yorkshire, at 11.30
am on Saturday January
27th 1990. No flowers
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Bradford's War on Cancer.
c/o Mr Tim Caswell. 21
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18G. ROBSON - A Setter of Thanksgiving for the life of Vice Admiral Sir Geoffrey Robson KBE. CB. DSO DSC was held in The Town Church. St Peter Port. Guernsey. on Thursday January 4th. The Service was attended by the

KINGERLEY - On January 1st.
Alfred William, peacefully at
St. George's Nursing Home.
London, after a short itines,
aged 82. Funeral private.
MAPPLEBECK - On January
3rd 1990, peacefully after a
very short illness, in London,
Thomas George Mapplebeck
O.B.E., aged 96. Dearly
toved father of Peter, Linda
and Tamara and beloved
grandfather. Funeral West
London Crematorium at
12:30 pm on Friday January
12th. Enquiries to J.H. Kenyon Ltd., let: 01-937 (757NEUWAAN - On December

yon Liu., set: 01-937 (1757.

NEWMAN - On December
22nd 1989, Eulalia Grace,
aged 80 years, of
Whitchurch, Tavistock,
Devon, Wife of the late
Reverend Guy Newman,
Funeral Service al
Whitchurch Parish Church
at 2.15 pm. Thursday
January 11th, followed by
interment at Lowtreschard

PLATT - On Now Year's Every pencefully after a long illness. In Westport. Conviecticult, and westport. Conviecticult, and greatly loved daughter of Ted and Rhoda. Cremation in Westport on Monday January 8th. No flowers please, dorpallone if desired to The Lucy Plett foundation. Co Norman Olch Esq., 233 Broadway, New York, NY 10279, USA.

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PRITCHARED-IONES On Christmas Day 1989. Hush, who was born March 4th 1896. Hushand of Constance, father of Elien, Inc., Inc 1990, suddenly at home. Audrey Moulie Estelle. beloved wife, mother and grandmother of the family Funeral private. No flowers

RUSTON - On January 3rd 1990. peacefully in Cambridge. Canon C. Mark Ruston MA. QHC. aged 73. Much loved brother of Brenda Burton Funeral and Thanksgiving Service on Friday January 12th at 2 pm in The Round Caurch. Cam-bridge, where he Ministered for 32 years. Family flowers only, but offs may be sent to only, but gifts may be sent to The Iwerne Trust or to The Jesus Lane Trust both c/o Round Church Office, Manor Street, Cambridge.

SANDERSON - On Jamuary
1st, peacefully at home in
Fowinhope, Hereford, Victor
Net ille, aged 76 years,
Funeral Service at 8t Peter's
Church, Peterslow, near
Ross-on-Wye, at 2.30 pm on
Tuesday January 9th 1990.
Flowers to W. Bevan, Old
Gloucester Road, Ross-onWye, Herefordshire, HR9
5JG.

SMITH - On January 4th 1990, the Hon. Lady (Monica) see Crossley, aged 93 years, widow of Li. Gen Sir Arthur Smith, mother of Auriol Ingram and Susan Browne and the lale Hazel Rowley and Crooffrey. Thanksgiving Service and bural at Pirtright Parish Church on Friday January 12th at noon, Family flowers only, but donations in her momory to be divided between Purbright and Sullington (her final place of worship) Parish Churches may be sent to H.D. Tribe-Ltd., 150 Broadwater Road, Worthing or left in church at her service.

moner or Susam and grandmother of Sophie. Service at St Mary's. Exsebourne. Midhurst. on Wednesday January 17th at 2 pm. Enguirles to Lf Liniots & Son 10730) 813264

WELLS - On Jamusry 3rd. at St. Christopher's Hospice. William Thomas, husband of Angela and father of Martin, Gilhan, Calterine and Johnny. Funeral Mass at the church of the Resurrection of Our Lord, Kirkdate, Sydenham Hill. SE26, at 1 pm on Wednesday Jamusry 10th. followed by burial at Hither Green.

MEMORIAL SERVICES NEWISS - A Thanksgiving Service for the life of Winifred Newiss will be held at St Andrew's Church.

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was attended by His Excellency Lieutenant Signature of the process of the conducted by The Dean of Cuernsey. The Very Retered Jeffrey Fronch of the page of the process was given by The address was given by Vice Admiral Sir Thomas

IN MEMORIAM -PRIVATE

BLACKMORE Brenda, January 6th 1989, All in all to one another: i to thee and thou to me. Dearest memories. Teddy. FRANCIS - E.P. (Hughiel) remembering my dearest husband who died January 6th 1979. Babs.

GILMAN - Barbara. On 6th January 1985. remembered with deep affection - Carth.

WRIGHT - Doctor R.B.D. (Douglas) Brether of Dickson September 22nd 1977. In loving memory of my darling husband on this his birthday. Always now and forever more in my heart and in my thoughts. Olivia.

WRIGHT - A. Dickson. Surgeon. January 6th 1976. Say not in Gref "Alas he is dead". But rather say with gratitude that he lived. O. FRANCIS - E.P. (Huthie).

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#### LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT
OF JUSTICE.
CHANCERY DIVESON
NO. 006996 OF 1989
IN THE MATTER OF
AFP GROUP PLC
AND IN THE MATTER OF
THE COMPANIES ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN ING
A PAUSON WAS ON THE 18th day of
December 1989 presented to tel
Majessy's High Court of Justice
for 1) The sanctionumy of a
Scheme of Arrangement and 22
the confirmation of the reduction
of the capital of the above marries. Company in accordance with the provisions of the said Scheme of Arrangement.

AND NOTICE SI FURTHER CIV.

EN that the said Pedition is directed to be heard before the ed to be heard before the Honourable Mr Justice Warner at the Royal Courts of Justice. Strand, London WC2A 21.1 on Monday the 15th day of January 1990. ANY Creditor or Shareholder of the said Company desiring to op-pose the making of an order for the confirmation of the said re-duction of capital should appear at the time of the hearing in per-

duction of capital should appear at the time of the hearing in cerson or by counsel for that 
purpose. A copy of the said Petition will be 
furnished to any sitch person reoutring the same by the 
undermentioned Solicitors on 
payment of the resulting charge 
for the same. Dated the sixth day of 
January 1990 
Trestricts of Waiden House, 
17-24 Calhedral Place. London 
ECOM 71A. 
Solicitors for the above named 
Company

SYSTECK LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY CITYEN pursuant to Section 48.21 of the Insolvency Act 190 fine above married for the Insolvency Act 190 fine above named to the Company will be held at The Landon WCI on the 26 January 1990 at 11.00 am for the purposes of receiving a report prepared by the Joint Administrative Receivers and if thought fit to establish a committee time Credit prepared by the John Ammericative Receivers and if thought (II to 
establish a committee "the Creditors Committee" to "exercise the 
functions conserved on the Sec. 
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claim to be made by the creditor, 
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TRUSTEE ACTS

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COWAN Sidney of 368 Finchley Road, NW3 died 9th December 1989 Particulars to Tringhams Solictions of 26 Dorsel Street, London W1M SFU, before 7th March 1990.

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RE: HENRY BENJAMIN
ALLEN (DECEASED)
PURSUANT to the Trustee Act
1925. Notice is HEREBY CIVEN
that all creditors and others having any claims against or claiming
to be beneficially interested in the
estate of Henry Benjamin Allen
late of 15 Rugby Street, London.
WCI who died on the 6th day of
April 1999 and Letters of Administration to whose estale were
granted on the 22nd December
1989 out of the Principal Registry
James Ford are hereby required
to seed particulars thereof in
writing to the undersigned Solicitor on or before the 9th day of
March 1990 after which date the
said administration will proceed to
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Dated this 4th day
of January 1990
Frances McCarthy
Patilinson & Brewer
30 Creat James Sireet

#### JAN 6 ON THIS DAY

#### WORKS THE

Prince Obolensky's second try was truly remarkable: taking a past inside his own half on the right and then, veering diagonally, to outsit the whole defence, scored far out on the left.

> **ENGLAND'S** TRIUMPH

Wales, it is true, had done so in the past, and again only a fortnight ago, but never before had a team of All Blacks been outplayed as well as besten, and the English score of one dropped THE STATE OF THE S goal and three tries (13 points) to nothing left no doubts as to the relative ments of the sides on this

Happily, the selectors had renisted any temptation to pick a fashily fast park of forwards, who these certainly would have been besten at their own game by a more robust body of New Zeelanders. Yet for all the presence of the githt Clarke and Marine Webb in

the second row, it was no mere stems-roller pack as some feared. It was a thoroughly sound and competent acrommaging eight who achieved the first countiel thing—the pinning down of their oppoints in the tight, and so traducily suppling their combined tranges in the losse. Certain heliciancies in hooking and heel-

ing, perhaps, were covered by the greatices of B. C. Gadney.
The larger the game went, the more Caughey and R. W. Tindill, in his first international game, failed out of serious consideration.

1936 in attack. Caughey elso failed in defence. Even Oliver was over-whelmed in the end by the burden of creating gaps in a brick wall and trying to cover the weakness of his own centre. Finally, when

the ball did reach the wing men,

HARTSHORNE - On January
4th, Gwen, wife of the late
Norman Hartshorne, dear
mother of Margaret and
John, and a loved
grandmother and greatgrandmother.

the ball did reach the wing men, N. J. Ball showed no signs of being able to escape Prince Alexander Obolmsky and, fine player though he is, N. A. Mitchell came off second best with a men no feater than himself, H. S. Sever.

For the rest, though P. L. Candler seldon drew his man in passing, he backed up his centres well if either of them broke away. Unfortunately, Garbery periodic runs were not so well supported yet before the New Zealand not closed on him the England capclosed on him the Kagland captain had achieved a moral effect that could be felt all over the ground. His tackling, too, was

Finally, at full-back, H. G. Owen-Smith, as ownal, dated greatly, made one or two mistakes that might have been fatal sad, yet, by some magic touch peculiar to himself, came out of the match with flying colours, while Gilbert, for once, failed so lamantably as a place hick that one nearly forgot some of his splendid touch-finding and powerful runs upfield. So, at last, one comes to Obolemsky, Cranmer, and Sever as the ecores of the 13 points.

Obolemky's turn of speed, which, for all a curious manner of turning out the fast, is exceptional, enabled him twice to leave the defence standing. His two tries gave Ragland their lead of six points at half-time and brought him an ovation that surely will live as long in his own memory as it will in the minds of those who did the cheering. His marking down of Ball also helped to swell the roar of the crowd. Cranmer set the seal upon his afternoon's work by dropping a goal which meant that New Zealand had to socre three times in order to win.

#### Church services tomorrow

Children's Service: 11 Parish Communion, Rev J H L Cross; 6 E, Preb C E L
Thomson.
GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South
Audies Sreet: 8.18 HC: 11 S Euch,
Missa O Magnum Nyuterium (Vicloria), Tribus miraculis (Marenzio),
HOLY TRIBUTY, Bromston Road,
SW7: 11 HC, Preb J T C B Collins;
6.30 ES, Rev J A K Millar.
HOLY TRIBUTY, Prince Consort
Road, SW7: 8.30 HC: 11 HC, Rev Dr
M, Isrdel, Sw7: 8.30 HC: 11 HC, Rev Dr

First Sunday

after Epiphany
Cantierality Cathedral: 8 HC.
9.30 M; 11 S Euch. Three voices
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THE CHAPEL ROYAL St. James's Palace: 8.50 kC: 11,15 S Euch. Jackson in G, Ven R Simpson. (VIENES CHAPEL OF THE EAVOY. WC2: 11.15 S Euch. Stanford in B flat, The Chamban. ECx: 11.15 Exhibitary Carol Service: 12.16 kT. TEMPLE CHURCH, Flest Street, ECX: 8,50 kC: 11.15 MP, The Three Kings Correction. Responses: (Ayleward, Sandord in B flat, Loi Star led Chiefs (Crotch). The Resider. (Loi Star led Chiefs (Crotch). The Resider. Church: ROYAL Hampson Court Palace: 8.50 kC: 11 Ebch. Actions Chief and Stanford Chiefs. ROYAL Hampson Court Palace: 8.50 kC: 11 Ebch. Actions Chiefs and Chief. (Crotch). The Resider. (This), Noble in S Indirect. Counted Chief. (Crotch). The Chapel Chief. (Chief). Noble in S Indirect. Counted State (Chief). Noble in S Indirect. Counted de Sabb (Handd).

HOLY TRIMITY. Prince Consort Road, SWT: 8.30 HC: 11 HC, Rev Dr M Street.
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ST BARTHOLOMEW THE CREAT.
STITIMIES. SCI.; 9 HC: 11 Euch. Byrd in four parts, Stor of the investic East Quabral; 6.30 E. Fourth Service (Bathes). The Three Ridge (Cornelius).
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The Rector: Three Ridge (Cornelius).
Christe Munera (Palestrina). Rev W Boutlon: 6.30 E. Responses Simith). Concentrate Service (Soveeth.). Lot started thies (Crotch). Rev C Lowson.
ST CUTTHEERT'S. Philipsech Cardens SW6: 10 HC: 11 S Euch. treland in C. From the rising of the sun (Omisty). FT Bd.
ST CEDRICE'S. Biocominary, WG1; 10 SWE: 10 JECT 13 SEAR, Breams to C. From the rising of the san (Omist), From the rising of the san (Omist), WC1: 10 Per ish Communion; 6.30 E. ST (GEORGE'S, Benower Square, W1: 8.30 HC; 11 S Euch, Sunston in F. Omnes de Sahe wentet d'Isand). The Rector.

ST (GEOS-IN-THE-FELDS, St Gless High St. WC2: 8, 12.7,15 HC; 11 MP; Rev P J Gallowsy. C.30 EP, Rev P J Gallowsy. ST JAMES'S, Percentity, W1: 8.30 HC; 13 S Euch, The Rector.

ST JAMES'S, Percentity, W1: 8.30 HC; 13 S Euch; 5.45 EP. ST JOHN'S, Hyde Park Greecest, W2: 8 HC; 10 Persis Euch with Sunday School. Rev R Calinghem: 6.30 Evening Worship, Rev T Harkin, ST JOHN'S WOOD CRUER! NWE: 8 HC; 9.30 Parish Communion; 11 S Euch, Missa O Magnum Mysterium (Vitoria), O Magnum Mysterium (Vitoria), O Magnum Mysterium (Vitoria), The Vicar; 6.30 E. The Vicar. Grousency, The Vicer, 6.30 E. The Vicer.
ST LLINE'S, Cheises, SW3: R, 12.15.
HC: 10.30 S Buch & Moly Bendtsen, Ireland in C. The Taves Kings (Cornelino, Laffe, hills (Leighton).
Rev M Butchers: 6.30 E. O Come ye servants (Tye), Rev M Butchers.
ST MARK'S, Regards Park Rd, NW1: 8 Medic 10 Family Constantion: 11 S Euch. Missa 24 (Vicontevend). Lo startled chiefs (Croich). Rev T Devorable Jones.

ed chies Livich). Hev T Devommer Jones.

ST MARGARETS. Westimbater, SW1: 11 8 Euch, Ecce advenit dominator (Dominus). Collegium Repate (Howells). Repate Thaiffs et inside (Shepherd, Repate Thaiffs et inside (Shepherd, Repate Thaiffs et inside (Shepherd). Repate Thaiffs et inside (Shepherd). Repate Service, Rev M Henwood: 248 Chieses Service, Rev M Henwood: 248 Chieses Service, Rev Et J Bennett. 6.30 The Vicar.

ST MARY ABOLIS S. Selfa, Rev A Boddy: 11.15 M, The Vicar. 6.30 E. The Vicar. Bodgy: 11.10 mr The Vicer. ST PAUL'S, Onelow Square, SW7: 10.30 Morning Service, Rev N G P Christi sminera (Pulsarina). Aveverum corpus (Byrd). The Cheptain:
3.30 E O nata lux (Tabla), Noble in B
minor. Omnes de Saba (Hand).

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: 11
6 Euch. Canos P Dalmey.
ALL SARIYS. Margaret Street. W1: 9.
5.15 LM: 11 HM. Hisna Soleranis in C
Olocogni). Viderese seiclam (Poulainc).
The Vicar: 6 E & B. Wood in E flat.
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G A Reddington.
CHELSEA OLD CHURCH. Old
Church Street, SW3: 8 HC. 10

10.30 Morming Service, Reev N G P
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Chelsea. OLD Church, Old
Church Street, SW3: 8 HC. 10

Service. ST VEDAST, Foster Lane, SC2: 11 SM, Fist voluntes tha (Andriesen), I will always give thanks (King), Rev R Avent.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOT-LAND, Post Street, SW1: 11, 6.30 Rev J H McIndoe. CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOT-LAND, Cowent Carden. WC2: 11 Rev Dr K G Hughes; 12.20 HC: 6.30 Rev J H McIndoe. CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOT-LAND, Cowen Carden. WC2: 11 Rev Dr K G Hughes; 12.20 HC: 6.30 Rev J A Hughes; 10, 12.4, 6.14; 11 SM, Misse Simile est regnum (VIDOTA), Angels from the realms of slory Uscauses, Suseami (Bennett), FARM STREET, W1: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.16, 4.15, 6.16 LM: 11 HM. SW Mr. 8, 10, 11 Misses Brevit In FORTON Mr. 8, 10, 11 Misses Brevit In SW Mr. 8, 10, 11 Misses Brevit In Files financial (Masterdio), ST ETHELDRIEDA'S, Exp Phace 11 SM. Krunningsmesse (McCart), in duck Jubilo (Bach), OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, Kenting-OUR LADY OF VICTORIES.

Tettenham Court Rd. W1: 11 Rev Rob F Alticol.
F Alticol

bir Russell J Clark is to be Honorary Lay Cason of the Cathedral of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich. Retirements The Ray Reginald A P Gell, Vicar, Caristichurch, Paington, diocese of Excler: to retire as from 28 February 1990.

(Bach). OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, Kenstug-ton High Street, WS 8.30, 10, 12.30, 6.30 LAC: 11.18 SM. Misse Papes Marcelli (Palestrina), Jubilate Dec Lastus). AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, Fottenham Court Rd. Wi: 11 Rev Ron

Dr R Scoper, 5 United Service, Rev D LORD SALVATION ARMY General Helb. Outbret St Wir. 11, 6.50; 3 Musical Proprientite. Malor & Mrs. C Hunt. ST. ANNE AND ST. ACRES (Laboration), Gresham St. EC2 11 MC. Rev T Bruch: 7 Choral Hot. King Herod and the Cock (Watton), Rev R T Deplication. Rev R T Deplication of the Cock (Watton), Rev Watton, Marylabone Rd. Ser West, Malor Rev P Huston, Marylabone Rd. Ser West, Rev P Huston, Manylabone Rd. Ser Rd. primates. Most of the primate fossils come from relatively young rocks, high up in the

Church news Appointments The Rev Nicholas Whetton, Assistant Curate, Hattled, Doncaster, discuss of Sheffield: to be Vicar. Commodise. Todmorden. discuss of Waketied.

Mr Legie Ramson, Registrar of the diocase of of Blackburn, and Legal Secretary to the Bushop of Eleckburn, is to retire in September 1990.

# SCIENCE REPORT

#### Our earliest known ancestor emerges from Egyptian soil

Fossils from Egypt may represent the earliest known under the doubted ancestral stock of Oligocene.

epoch (before about 38 million primates from Fayum, he draws parallels between 2 number of features seen in the bigher primates, including buman beings. Elwyn Simons, of Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, describes the speci-

mens in the current issue of Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (vol 86, pp 9956-9960).

The fossils, of jaws and teeth, were found in November million years old). The exten-sive Oligocene deposits at Fayum are more than 32 yielded a fauna of unmatched diversity, including more than a thousand specimens of fossil

sequence: only a few are known from the lower, older This changed after a new locality in the Fayum was discovered in 1983, in the oldest parts of the Fayum sequence. Nevertheless, primate specimens are generally so rare that four years passed before any were were un-earthed from the new quarry, The animals from the new

quarry look very different from

other Fayum fossils: Simons

argues that they are signifi-cantly older, from the Eocene

This applies to the primate fossils as well as any other, and if Simons is correct in classifying them in the Anthropoidea - the group of primates that includes mon-

keys, apes and humans - they are probably the oldest-known primates with an undoubted human relationship. area long known for spectaca-lar fossils of Oligocene age (between about 25 and 38 million years old). The ments about how the new fossils should be classified will keep the pot on the boil. Before making his name with million years old and were first his work on primates from the worked in 1907. They have Siwalik Hills in Pakistan themselves the subjects of furious debate - Simons worked on an obscure and very

> The relationships between adapids and other primate groups are open to question. Simons describes two new species from the Fayum deposits on the basis of specimens of jaws and teeth. The jawbone of Catopithecus browni indicates an animal about the size of a small monkey. All that remains of Proteopithecus sylvine, the other species, are a few teeth, but it was probably about the same size.

ancient group of primates called adapids.

Although Simons places these species firmly in the

fossils and those of adapids. At the same time, he distances them from the omomyids, another obscure group of primitive primates. This technical and seemingly rather dry argument

disguises a long-running dispute. Many researchers believe that tarsiers, a group of primitive primates that live today in the East Indies, are the closest living relatives to anthropoids without being anthropoids themselves closer, say, than lemurs, lorises and bush-babies, all of which represent other kinds of primitive non- anthropoid primate. Tarsiers are also usually thought to be related to the extinct omomyids: the logical conclusion being that omomyids are closer to the authropoid line than adapids. Nevertheless, all researchers agree that adapids re-

respects. But the majority view is that these similarities reflect similar lifestyles rather than shared genetic heritage. Simons and some other scientists argue instead that these features really do indicate a shared common ancestry, and that we should look

semble anthropoids in some

for the roots of humanity among the adapids rather than the omomyids. Henry Gee

family Propliopithecidae along with other monkey-like © Nature-Times News Service, 1990

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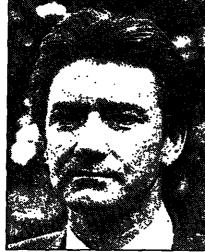
#### SATURDAY'S SCOTTISH TV AND RADIO

#### Pounding the Liver beat

OTELEVISION CHOICE

Peter Waymark

 Created by Phil Redmond, of Grange Hill and Brookside, Waterfront Beat (BBC1, 8.00pm) has the difficult task of trying to breathe new life into one of television's most worked-over genres, the police series, while attracting the large audience appropriate to a prime slot in the schedules. Returning to Z-Cars country, Redmond has set the series on Merseyside. But while Z-Cars engaged with the new housing estates of the 1960s, Waterfront Beat reflects a theme of the 1980s and 1990s - the regeneration of the waterfront areas of the industrial cities. Inevitably the first



Rogne cop: John Ashton as the new divisional commander (BBC1, 8.00pm)

episode is much taken up with establishing the characters and setting and it will be difficult to draw firm conclusions until the series has had a chance to run itself in. But though the title suggests an ensemble approach on the lines of Hill Street Blues or The Bill, we seem to have the makings of a central character in the new divisional commander (a promisingly tough performance from John Ashton) whose first day in the job provides a unifying theme for tonight's instalment. Early skirmishes with superiors and subordinates suggest a rogue cop in the tradition of Dirty Harry and Regan in The Sweeney. Another significant pointer, perhaps, is that while series such as The Bill rarely move into policemen's private lives, the commander is shown with a glamorous blonde wife and small daughter. Balancing the arrival of the boss is that of a rookie called Ronnie Barker, whose name becomes the predictable butt of heavy-handed humour. As one would expect of a Redmond script, the dialogue is crisp and pointed and promotes a Waterfront Beat is off to a useful start. Back on television after a gap of four years, Dave Allen (BBC1, 10.00pm) draws attention to his pared down format by joking about it: "No actors, no sketches, no titles - it's cheap". Not everything has gone. The chair is still there and so is the glass of refreshment. He sips the liquid but spurns the chair, boldly filling the half hour with an interrupted stand-up routine. Alien's language seems less inhibited than before, and he reminds us that since he was last on the screen he has passed his half century - a cue for jokes about the hazards of growing old and trying to keep abreast of technological change.

(BBC1 7.30 Saturday Starts Herel with Wayne Jackman and Ian Tragonning, beginning with Playtess (r) 7.36 Laurel and Herely in Hilbidity Bully (r) 8.00 Mersey Tales, Shirin Taylor with the story Calling Terry Ashworth, by David Self

8.05 The New Adventures of Mighty Mouse. Animated swashbuckling adventures and feats of heroism 8.20 Chuckle Vision. More chaos with the Chuckle Brothers when they take up window cleaning 8.35 Thundercats. Animated science

fiction adventures (r)
9.00 Going Live! Philip Schofield and
Sarah Greene host a morning full of cartoons, competitions and fun for young people, including the Video Vote and the Double Dare. 12.12 Weather. and introduced by

Grandstand introduced by Desmond Lynam. The line-up is (subject to alteration): 12-20 Football: a preview of this afternoon's FA Cup third round matches; 12-40, 1-10 and 1-40 Racing from Haydock Park. The commentators are Peter O'Sullevan and Richard Pitman; 12-55 News; 1-25 and 2-25 Std Jumping; from Rischofshofen and News; 1.25 and 2.25 Std Jumping; from Bischofshofen and innsbruck, with commentary by Ron Pickering; 1.55 and 4.00 Table Tennis: the Leeds English Open championships from Manchester. The commentators are Peter Walker and Don Parker; 2.40 Cyclo Cross: the Falcon National championships from Sutton Park, Birmingham. The commentator is Hugh Porter; 3.50 Football half-times; 4.35 Final Score News and weather

5.05 News and weather 5.15 Scottish News and sport 5.20 The Flying Doctors. No Laughing Matter. Australian drama series metter. Australian crains series centring around the Royal Flying Doctor Service. With their mother lying on her death-bed, the Cochrane brothers open an old trunk which reveals secret treasures collected throughout her life, and the romance between Sam and Froma take a tixto for the worse when she realises that she is unsure about committing herself. Starring Robert Grubb, Liz Burch, Lenore Smith and Peter O'Brien. (Ceefax)

6.05 Jim'll Fix IL In this first of a new series Jimmy Savile fixes it for, among others, eight-year-old Becky Middley to make a special cheese for her grandparents; 13-year-old David Kingham to be the manager of a London cinema and nine-year-old Tim Oxborough to become the Invisible Man.

6.40 Bob's Full House. Bob Monkhouse invites more contestants to battle with their wits on the bingo board. (Ceefax)

7.15 The Paul Daniels Magic Show.
Paul Daniels uses a little touch of wizardry to perform a few spelts in this first of a new series, with the help of his special guests Barry McGuigan, Mouvance, an awardwinning trapeze act from Canada, and the involved femily from the first and the juggling Esqueda family from San Francisco. (Ceefax) 8.00 Waterfront Beat. (Ceefax) (see

8.50 News and Sport 9.16 Midnight Caller. The Tarnished
Shield. Ex-cop turned late night radio
chat show DJ Killian, receives a
call from a depressed young
policeman who, shortly after, kills
himself. The death leads Killian to uncover corruption and a major scandal in the San Francisco police

Choice)

department. Starring Gary Cole and Wendy Kilbourne. (Ceefax) 10.00 Dave Allen (see Choice) 10.30 Sportscene introduced by Dougie Donnelly, Highlights from today's Premier League, with commentary by Archie Macpherson, and from south of the border when programmer and services. where First and Second division clubs are involved in the FA Cup third round

1.40 Film: Deadly Lessons (1983) starring Donna Reed and Larry Wilcox. A made-for-television thriller about the murder of a pupil at an exclusive girls' school. The headmistress decides to conceal the readmistress decides to current in order to preserve the school's reputation, but when the killer strikes again, panic and terror loom in every corridor and domitory. With Diane Franklin and Deena Freeman. Directed by William William (Ceefax)

6.00 TV-em begins with News followed by it's Standust. Alvin Standust with stories, songs and cartoons; 7.00 WAC 90 presented by Michaela Strachan and Tommy Boyd; 9.20

News.

9.25 Motormouth 2 includes Kylie Minogue's new video: Martika with her latest single and the latest video from New Kids on the Block. Plus Andrea Arnold's first report from Kenya on the African ivory trade 11.30 The ITV Chart Show: The Vintage Video slot leatures Madonna 12.30 Batman (r)

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1.00 News and weather 1.05 LWT
News and weather
1.10 Saint and Greaveis. Ian St John
and Jammy Greaves with a pravie
the day's football action
1.40 Sentence Circlio Dayles sters. Dickie Davies

Sportamesters. Lucius Liaves invites three more contestants to test their sporting knowledge Coronation Street. Omnibus edition of Wednesday and Friday's spisodes (r) Snooker: Mercantile Credit Classic, Blackpool's Norbreck Hotel

cassic. Brackpool's Norbrack Hotel is the venue for the battle between the last 16 hopefuls for the £60,000 prize money

4.45 Results Service. Elton Welsby presents the day's footbell scores.

5.00 News and weather 5.10 LWT News and weather 5.15 Cartoon Time with Bugs Burrry.

5.30 Catchphrase. Guessing game show (Oracle)

show (Oracle)
6.00 Blind Date. Cits Black matches up

two more couples. (Oracle)

6.50 Film: Baywatch — Panic at Malibu
Pier (1989) starring David Hasselhoff.
A feature-length Introduction to a
new series about a group of Los Angeles life guards and their adventures both on and off the adventures both on and off the beach. Today, Mitch (Hasseihoff) is wrapped up in a custody battle over his son. Directed by Richard Compton

8.40 News with Flona Armstrong, sport and weather

9.00 Jelyff and Hyde. Michael Caine

stars as the schizophrenic doctor in this adaptation of Robert Louis

this adaptation of Robert Louis Stevenson's classic horror tale. Dr Jekyli creates a formula which he hopes will alter the human state in a positive way. He experiments on nimself and creates the hideous Mr Hyde. With Cheryl Ladd, Joss Ackland and Lionel Jeffries. (Oracle) 10.55 Snooker: Mercantile Credit Classic. Continuing coverage from Blackpool, presented by Tony

Francis 12.30am Film: The Rose (1979) starring Bette Midler and Alan Bates. Drama about a successful singer whose career crashes after she becomes addicted to alcohol and drugs. Directed by Mark Rydell 3.00 The Hit Man and Her. Michaela

Strachen and Pete Waterman introduce the latest club sounds. 4.00 The Mystery of Mount Ararat. A documentary following a recent expedition to Mount Ararat - one expedition to Mount Ararat — one that seemed to destined to uncover nothing until the researchers, by accident, found evidence that put them on a new track developing theories supported by compelling physical evidence

4.30 America's Top Ten. The top ten albums of 1989

5.00 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman. Ends at 6.00



Schizophrenic: Michael Caine as Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde (ITV, 9.00pm)

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Fun 7.00 Once Upon a Time...Life
7.30 International Times — World
News 8.00 Trans World Sport
9.00 Channel Four Racing: The
Horning Line
9.25 Sing and Swing with the stars of
the 1930s and 1940s
9.30 Listening Eye Looks behind the
scenes of the British Deaf
Association (r)

9.00 Open University
11.00 Twin Windsurfers and the
Atlantic. The story of Frederic
Beauchene and Thierry Caroni's
attempt to cross the North Atlantic on
a 26-foot-long twin windsurfer (r)
11.50 Film: My Learned Friend (1944
b/w) starring Will Hay. Black cornedy
about a barrisser who finds he is
included in a crazy convict's "wanted
fist". Directed by Basil Dearden
1.00 Northern Arts. A profile of the
glass sculptor Charlie Meaker (r)
1.10 in the Pest. Designing and
producing new postage stamps (r)
1.35 Training Dogs the Woodhouse
Way (r)
2.00 Shrikant. Episode one of
Saratchandra Chatterjee's semiautobiographical novel set in
Bengal at the turn of the century. (In
Hindi with English subtities) (r)
2.40 Film: Flying Down to Rio (1933
b/w) starring Ginger Rogers and Fred
Astaire. Musical romance about
the adventures of a band bouring
around South America. Directed
by Thornton Freeland.
4.05 Film: Tom, Dick and Harry (1941
b/w) starring Ginger Rogers. Geoma

(r)
10.33 The Batsaan (b/w). The final episode of this 1943 cinema serial.
11.00 Film: The Gaunt Stranger (1935 b/w) starring Wilfrid Lawson and Somnie Hale. A criminal master of disguise, the Ringer, carries out a threat to kill his former partner despite police protection. Directed by Walter Forde
12.20 Dance With Me
12.50 Channel 4 Racing from Sandown. The 12.35, 1.30, 2.05 and 2.55 races
3.00 Film: That Michight Klas (1949) starring Mario Lanza as a truck

by Thornton Preeland.

4.05 Film: Tom, Dick and Harry (1941
b/w) starring Ginger Rogers, George
Murphy, Alan Marshal and
Burgess Meredith. A modest smaltown girl working as a telephone
operator is torn between three men.
Directed by Garson Kanin.

5.30 World Darts. David Icke

introduces coverage of the Embassy World Professional Championship
7.00 NewsView with Chris Lowe and

Laurie Mayer. Weather
7.45 Sorry ... Private View and
Audience, two satires on Czech Audience, two satires on Czech communist society by Vaclav Havel, newly-elected President of Czechoslovakia. In the first a writer, Vanek, is invited to see the newly-acquired possessions of two married friends, who attempt to get him to accept "the system" as they have done. In the second Vanek, a worker in a brewery, is summoned to explain his work as a playwright. Starring Michael Crawford, lan Richardson and Freddie Jones (r)

Freddie Jones (r)
9.10 Making Out. Comedy drama series set in an electronic factory outside Manchester, and focussing on the lives, loves and berties of six women workers (r).

(Ceefax)

10,00 The Film Club. Film critic Philip 10.00 The Film Club. Film critic Philip
French introduces Pat Garrett and
Billy the Kid (1973) starring
James Coburn, Kris Kristofferson
and Bob Dylan. Tough western
about a former outlaw who turns
lawman and is compelled to track
down his one-time outlaw partner
Billy the Kid. Directed by Sam
Peckinpalt. (Ceefax)

12.00 World Darts. David Icke with
further coverage of the Embassy

further coverage of the Embassy World Darts Champlonships, from the Lakeside Country Club, Frimley Green. Ends at 1.05am

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6.00am Barrier Reef 6.30 The Flying Kiwi 7.00 Fun Factory 11.00 The Bionic Woman 12.00 Frank Bough 1.00pm The Invisible Man 2.00 All-American Wrestling 3.00 Man from Atlantis 4.00 Chopper Squad 5.00 Dolly 6.00 Little House on the Prairie 8.00 Film: Robbery Under Arms 10.00 WWF Superstars of Wrestling 89 11.00 Sky News 11.30 Don Johnson — Heartbeat

**SKY NEWS** 

News on the hour.
5.00am Sky News 8.30 Beyond 2000
6.00 The UNESCO Report — The Burumbur Experience 7.30 Beyond 2000 8.30 Earthfile 9.30 Frank Bough 10.30 The UNESCO Report 11.30 Our World 12.30pm Beyond 2000 1.30 Motor Sports News 2.30 Sporting Herces 89 3.30 Earthfile 4.30 Our World 5.30 Motor Sports News 8.30 Beyond 2000 7.30 The Reporters 8.30 images of the Eighties 9.30 The Best of Target 10.30 Images of the Eighties 11.30 Motor Sports News 12.30am The Reporters 1.30pm The Best of Target 2.30 The Best of Frank Bough 3.30 The Reporters 4.30 Motor Sports News

SKY MOVIES

4.00 Asterix in Britain (1986): Gallic superhero Asterix comes to the aid of Britain when the Roman hordes land 6.00 Emest Goes to Camp (1987): Comedy about Ernest (Jim Varney), a

back on the streets, causing more

11.50 Film: Targets (1968). Starring
Boris Karloff Ageing horror star
Byron Orlok finds himself
confronted with real-life horror when
a mad sniper terrorizes a drive-in
cinema audience. Directed by Peter Bogdanovich.

since disassociated himself with

Association (f)

10.00 To the End of the Rhine. The first

s.00 Film: That Midnight Klas (1949) staming Mario Lanza as a truck driver who becomes an opera star. Directed by Norman Taurog.
4.50 Movie Museum (b/w). Featuring 1920s tootage of Carole Lombard and Conquest of the North Pole, made in 1908

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5.05 Brookside (r). (Oracle)

6.00 Song of the Forest. Sting and 200
British schoolchildren perform
Yanomarno, a ecological musical
about the Amazon rainforests (r)

7.00 The World This Week. The world
news headlines and an assessment
of international developments,
presented by Michael Nicholson.

7.15 Europe Express. The first of a
series of 10 reports on stories from
all over Europe

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8.00 Conquer the Arctic For the Gor-Tex Trophy. Two-man teams from eight countries do sporting battle against each other and the Arctic weather for four days. The sports include ica-climbing, biathion,

abselling, sledge-pulling, canceing and Nordic sking

9.00 4 Play: Valentine Fells. Eddie wonders why Valentine, a young black Englishman, has replied to his advertisement for a barman in a pub in the Fall's Road, Belfast

10,15 Opera on 4: Adventure/Nouvelles Aventures, by Gyorgy Liget, and Eight Songs for a Med King, by Sir Peter Maxwell Davies who has

the work

in a series in which Bernard Levin follows the course of the Rhine

1.35am Claus Ogerman: Time Past Time Present. A profile of the composer and arranger Claus Ogerman (r). Ends at 2.25

BBC1 WALES S. 1898-8.05 Wales on Subarday NORTHERM INCLANDS S. 1598-8.20 Northern reland Neves and Sport ANGLIA As Scotlish except 12.30 pm-1.00 ALF 12.30 pm Firm: The Comeback (Jack Jones) 2.28 Indy Cart 4.00-8.00 Fail Guy BORDER 719.2 10-48 Snooker 12.30 pm-1.00 Ski Tips 2.10-48 Snooker 12.30 pm-1.00 Ski Tips 2.10-48 Snooker 12.30 pm-1.00 Firm: The Best (Doma Mills, William Devane) 2.00 Hit Man and Her 4.00-4.30 First Exposure

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American College Footbal

CHANNEL As Scotlish except 12.30 pm-1.00

That Wouldn't Die (Barbarn Stamwyck, Richard Egen) 2.00 Haxis: Box 3.00 Batman 3.30 Worlds Beyond 4.00-8.00 Hit Man and Her 4.00 First Exposure 4.30-8.00 America's Top Ten Bar (Donna Mills, William Devane) 2.00 Hit Man and Her 4.00 First Exposure 4.30-8.00 America's Top Ten HTV WEST As Scotlish except 12.30 pm-1.00

Story 1.30 Manted. With Children 2.00 Three's Company 2.20 First Fix Out Three Minutes Are Upl (Geeu Bridges, Janet Margolin) 4.05-8.00 Grateful Deed HTV WALES As HTV West except 15.00 pm-1.00

TYNE TEES As Scottlets except: 12.30pm-Film: The Bait (Dorna Miles, William Devene): 2.30 Hit Man and Her 4.00 First Exposure 4.30-5.00 America ULSTER As Scottish except: 12.30pm-1.00
Partridge Family 12.30pm Film: The 8
(Dorna Mills, William Dovane) 2.00 Hit Mun and Her
4.00 First Exposure 4.30-6.00 America's Top Ten

YORKSHIRE As Scottish except 12.30pm 1.00 Batman 12.30am Film: Dracule 2.00 Hit Man and Her 4.00-3.00 Music Box S4C Startes-00cm Early Morning 9.25 Sing and Swing 9.20 Listening Eye 10.00 A Walk up 5th Avenue 10.30 Art of the Western World 11.00

Avenue 16.30 ATO'T the Western Word 11.30 Australian Beauthul Gardons 11.30 That's Entertaining 12.60 Stones and Files 12.50 per Recing 3.60 Film: Ah, Wilderness!" (Mickey Rooney, Wallace Beery) \$.05 Brookside 6.00 Song of the Forest 6.30 Wonder Years 7.80 Ar y Bocs 7.30 News 7.40 Chryl Gorthul Cymru 8.40 Y Maes Chwarae 8.30 4 Play 10.45 Hostages 11.50 Film: Targets" (Borls Karloft, Tim O'Kelly) 1.36est Cleus Ogerman 2.25 Closedown

PTE 1 Starts: 1.15am The Challenge 10.30
Countdown to Danger 11.30 Strongest Man
in the World 1.00pem Bionic Wormen 1.55 Saley's Bird
2.25 Film: The Drum (Sabu, Raymond Massey) 4.05
Film: The Tall 1 (Randolph Scoti, Richerd Boone) 8.30
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Bands on the Lip 7.05 Baywatch 8.00 Candid Camera
Connection 8.25 Sts. Packs 8.00 News 8.20 Personal
Touch 10.20 Kerny "Live" 11.40 Midnight Caller
12.35am News, Closedown

NETWORK 2 Starts: 12.30pcs News 12.34 Sports Stadium 5.05 Green Lhople 5.95 Chronicles of Nemia 6.30 Sull Thert 6.55 Nuacht 7.00 Repido 7.30 Tracey Ulimen 8.00 Soviets - Make or Break 9.00 John Huston and the Dubliners 16.05 The Dead 11.25 Closedown

From 8.00am The Satellite Shop 2.00pm Avalanchel (1978): A jet crash causes an avalanche which threatens a ski-resort. With Rock Hudson and Mia

bumbling handyman who's desperate to become a camp counsellor 7.40 Entertainment Tonight 8.00 Police Academy 4: Citizens on Patrol (1987): The trainee police squad is

9,40 UK Top 10 10,00 The Club (1980): Drama about an Australian football club and the behind-thescenes tensions

scanes tensions
12.30am Crimes of Passion (1985):
Ken Russell's exploration of sexuality. With
Kathleen Turner and Anthony Perkins
2.15 Uptown Saturday Night (1974):
Sidney Potter and Bil Cosby go on vacation
and find themselves immersed in a world
of guns and gangsters
4.00 Mischief (1985): Nostalgic cornedy
set in a Frities American high school. Ends at
5.40am

**EUROSPORT** 

6.00am Barrier Reef 6.30 The Flying Kiwi 7.00 Fun Factory 9.00 Menu 9.30 Surfer Magazine 10.00 Cycling: World Cup Classics 11.00 World Cup Skiing 2.00pm Best of the Year 1989: World Figure Sketing Championships 3.00 Female Athletes of the Year 4.00 World Cup Gymnastics 5.00 World Cup Skiing and Ski Jumping 6.00 Paris-Dakar Rally 7.00 Trans World Sport 8.00 Football 10.00 Paris-Dokar Rally 5.00 Paris-Dokar Rally 5. Paris-Dakar Raily 10.15 Golf: The US Skins Game 12.15am Paris-Dakar Raily

6.00am Club MTV 6.30 Non-Stop Pure Pop 9-30 US Top 20 Countdown 11-00 Yol 11-30 Marcel and Ray 5-00pm The Big Picture Special Edition 5.30 Kristiane Backer 8.30 Club MTV 9.00 Party Zone 11.00 MTV Erotica 12.00 Maiken Wexo

**SCREENSPORT** 

1.00am US College Basketball 2.30 Review of '89 World Sports Car 5.00 College Football 7.00 NFL American Football 9.00 1989 Review of the Year 10.00 US College Basketball 11.30 1989 Formula 3000 12.30pm Skiing 1.00 Rugby League 2.30 College Basketball 4.00 College Football 6.00 Update; US Pro Ski Tour 6.30 Powersports 7.30 NFL American Football 9.30 US College Basketball 11.00 US Professional Boxing

LIFESTYLE

12.00 Space Patrol 12.30pm Car 54, Where Are You? 1.00 Smothers Brothers 1.30 Make Room for Daddy 2.00 pionship Rodeo 3.00 GLOW 4.00 The

 Full information on satellite TV programmes is available in the weekly magazine, TV Guide.

# As easy as apple and apricot pie

#### (RADIO CHOICE)

Peter Davalle

 Until I heard Roy's Recipes (Radio 2, 6.30pm), I assumed that to teach cookery on radio was as unlikely as teaching golf. But I had reckoned without the peculiarly visual style of Roy Jefferies, whose verbal pictures are so vivid that when he tells us that the first step in making pigs' trotters soup is to snip off the toe-nails, there is scarcely any need for the quick burst of "Old Macdonald Had a Farm ". With trotters costing 8p each, Jefferies is justified in claiming that his cookery hints won't cost anyone the earth. His is a chean kitchen. Being a former member of the Black and White Minstrels, he runs a cheerful kitchen, too, breaking out into a chorus of "A little of what you fancy" or 'Ma, I miss your apple pie" at the drop of a soup ladle. Actually, it is the preparation of his Auntie Alice's apple and apricot pie that he guides us through tonight, making histelling us what size eggs to use. they all live in Somerset.



Roy Jefferies: a cheap and cheerful kitchen (R2, 6.30pm)

Classes Apart? (Radio 4 4.00pm) does not need the question mark because this series about three families living within 10 miles of each other, makes it clear that, socially, they are 1,000 miles apart. The Taylors (Georgian mansion), the Moreys (restored cottage) and the Jennings (council house) have tory, in a modest way, by only one thing in common:

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#### WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 16 MALICHO (a) Presumed to mean mis-chief, perhaps from the Spanish malkecho a misdeed, the classic origi citation from Hamlet, in the ning commentary on the The Mousetrap: "Marry this is Michleg Malicho." So what is this miching, Ed?

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(a) A small civet-cat, Viverricula indica, or Ma-lacca Weasel, from the Javanese rase: "While all the other civets are nonis said to be an expert ENCOLPION (c) A cross or reliquery worn at the breast, in the form of an oval medallion, worn by prelates of the Orthodox (c) The bitter vetch, Ervum churches, some of whom are Errilia, from the Latin

FM Stereo and MW News on the half-hour from 5.30cm until 6.00pm, then at 7.30, 8.30, 10.00

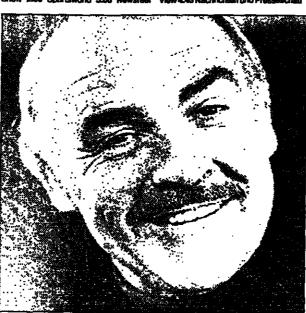
5.00am Tim Smith 7.00 Bruno Brookes Breakfast Show with Liz Brookes Breakfast Show with Liz Kershaw 10-00 Dave Lee Travis 1.00pm Adrian Juste 3.00 My Top 10: Janet Jackson 7.00 The Saturday Sequence 9.00 Andy Peebles' Soul Train 9.30 In Concart Aurosmith at Concert: Aerosmith, at Hammersmith Odeon 10.30 The Mary Writishouse Experience 11.00-2.00mm The Saturday Rock Show

#### RADIO 2

Fall Stereo
News on the hour, except
8.00 pm, 9.00 (2.00 pm, 3.00,
4.00 5.00 Fall only)
4.00am Dave Bussey 6.00
Graham Knight 8.05 David Jacobs
9.00 Sounds of the Sixtles
10.00 Anne Robinson 12.00
Gerald Harper 1.30 pm Pull the
Other Onel 2.00 Robin Ray on
Record (new series) 3.30 Ketie Other One! 2.00 Robin Ray on Record (new series) 3.30 Roger Whitaker 5.00 Cinema 2 6.30 Royer Rocipes (new series) (see Choice|7.00 Beat the Record 7.30 Saturday Gala Night 9.30 String Sound 10.05 Martin Keiner 12.05 mm Night Owls 1.00 Nightheld 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Nussic

#### **WORLD SERVICE**

5.00am German Feetures 5.25 News in 3.15 Sportsworld 4.00 News 4.00 News 5.50 Financial News about Britain 4.15 BBC English 4.30 Syr Sports News 5.50 Financial News About Britain 4.00 German feetures 5.01 5.55 Weather and Travel news 8.00 Sportsworld 5.30 Londres Soir 8.15 BBC Newsdesk 6.30 Londres Matin 7.00 News 1.00 Sportsworld 5.30 Londres Soir 8.15 BBC Newsdesk 6.30 Londres Matin 7.30 From 1.00 News 9.00 Houte Alkeled 7.00 German 7.00 24 Hours; News Summary 7.30 From 1.00 Hour 6.70 News 9.00 News



Sean Councry: Chande Jenks comes face to face with the golfing thespian in Willesden public library (Radio 4, 10.45pm)

6.35em Open University (FM

under Nikotaus Harnoncour perform Bach (Liebster Immanuel Herzog der Frommen, BWV 123) 7.30 News 7.35 Morning Concert: See (Rondo amoroso; RPO under Per Dreier); Fauré

(Barcarolle No 9 in A minor, Op 101: Jean-Philippe Collard, piano): Dukas (Symphony in C. Sulsse Romande Orchestra under

Saturday Review: introduced by Edward Greenfield. Record Review — Building a Library. David Murray on Schubert's Octal and David Fahning reviews new plano discs 10.40 Record Release. Fauré Reliane On 19.150 under record resease. Faure (Baliade, Op 19: LSO under Frühbeck de Burgos); Schubert (Sonata in C. D 840: Affred Brendel, plano); Mozzart (Duo in G. K 423: Thomas Zehetmair, violin, Tabas Zenegornas, violin,

1.00pm News
1.00 Words: Reflections on language, Part 1: Not Feeling Myself, with Dr Roy Porter Porter

1.10 Romanesca: Castelio
(Sonata No 10 in D minor);
Marini (Sonata prima in A
minor, Op 8: Romanesca for
violin, Op 5: Sonata No 2,
Op 22; Frescobeld;
(Toccata terza: Passacagli);
Uccellini (Sonata a tre);
G. Kanchanner (Toccata

> From the Proms 1989 (new senes): Chicago SO under Georg Solti; Chicago Symphony Chorus under Margaret Hillis, with Anne Solie Von Otter, mezzo-

#### RADIO 3

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6.55 Weather and News
Headlines
7.00 Christmas Cantata: Soloists, Tölzer Knabenchor Concentus Musicus, Vienna

LONDON As Scottish except:12.30pm-1.00
The Munsters Today 12.30pm First.
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TSW As Scottish except:12.30pm-1.00 Scuth
First. The Belt (Dorna Miss. William Devane) 2.00 Ht
Man and Her 4.00 First Exposure 4.30-8.00 America
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TVS As Scottish except-12.30pm-1.00 Fun Sports
12.30mm Film: House That Would Not Die
(Barbars Stanwyck, Richard Egan) 2.00 Music Box
3.00 Batman 3.30 Worlds Beyond 4.00-4.00 Hit Man

8.30 News 8.35 Brahms and Ireland: The planist Eric Parkin performs Brahms (Six Pieces, Op 118); Ireland (Prelude in E flat; London Pieces: Chelsea Reach; Ragamuffing Soho Forencons; Two Pieces: February's Child;

Thomas Zehetmair, violin, Tabea Zimmennann, viola); Martinû (Sonate No 1: Rudolf Firkusny, piano); Lars-Erik Larsson (Symphony No 2 in D: Heissingborg SO under Hans-Peter Frank); Respighi (Vlotin Sonata in 8 minor: Kyung Whe Chung, violin, Krystian Zimerman, piano) pass News

G.G. Kapsberger (Toccata prime, 1640); Corelli (Tho Sonata in D minor, Op 3 No 5); Vivaldi (Concerto in D,

soprano, Keith Lewis, tenor, José Van Darn, bartone, Peter Rose, bass, performs Berikoz (The Darmatton of Faust), Parts 1 and 2 3.10 Parts 3 and 4 (r) 4.30 Début Paul Manley, violin, tale Ledinotham ciano. lain Ledingham, piano, perform Brahms (Sonata in

G, Op 78)
5.00 Jazz Record Requests with Peter Clayton
5.45 Critics' Forum: Chairman 5.45 Critics' Forum: Chairman
Christopher Cook, talks with
Michael Billington, Anthony
Curtis and Jill Neville on
More Barnes's People on
Radio 3; Art in the Making
at the National Gallery;
Satyajit Ray's film version of
Enemy of the People, The
Liar at the Old Vic; and the
novel The Family of Pascual
Duarte, by Camilo José Ceta
6.38 Bochmann String Quartet
performs Schubert (Quartet
in D minor, D 810 "Death
and the Maiden") (1)

in U minor, D 510 "Desarr and the Maiden") (r) I Tosca: Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra under Pritre Zurich Boya' Choir: Vienna State Opera Chorus, with Anna Tomowa-Sintow, soprano, Peter Dvorsky, tenor, James Morris, baritone, Gottiried Hornik, bass, Piero de Palma, tenor, italo Tajo, baritone, Wolfgang Scheder, bass, Walter Zeh, bass, Tammy Hensrud-Karian, contratio, performs Puccini's three-act opera, recorded at the 1989 Satzburg Festival. Sung in Italian

120 Four "Dreadful" Tales, by Anton Chekhov. Part 1: A Dreadful Night. translated by Patrick Miles and Harvey Pitcher. Read by Alec McGowen
9.35 Langham Chamber
Orchestra under Jiří Stárek
performs Oscar Straus
(Serenade in G minor);
Martinů (Partita); Mozart
(Symphony No 11 in D, K
84)

10.25 Moonlight Image: Nash Ensemble under Lionel Friend, with Rosemary Hardy, soprano, lan Brown, piano, performs Mahler and Schnittke (Piano Quartet first performance); Elena Firsova (Piano Sonata first broadcast): Dmytri skovich (Plano

11.55 News 12.00 Russian Orthodox Christmas Service: Conducted by Metropolitan Anthony of Surozh from Alf Saints' Church, Ennismore Gardens, London 1.30mm

#### RADIO 4

LW (s) Stereo on FM
5.55em Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing; Weather
6.10 The Farming Week: A
full report from the Oxford
Farming Conterence
6.50 Prayer for the Day 6.55
Weather 7.00 Today, incl
7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30
News; 7.55, 8.58 Weather
9.00 News

News; 7.55, 8.58 Weather
9.00 News
9.05 Sport on 4 with Cliff Morgan
9.30 Breakaway: Bernard Falk
reports from Greece
10.00 News; Loose Ends: Ned
Shamin reports from
Sydney, Australia (s)
11.00 News; Talking Politics:
David Walter investigates
Britain's foreign affairs
establishment
11.30 From Our Own
Correspondent

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12.00 Money Box: A Question of
Money, Chairman Vincent
Duggleby, with Louise
Botting, Christopher
Gilchrist and Philip
Hardman answer
isteners' questions
12.25pm Slightly Foxed: Libby
Purves hosts a literary quiz
12.55 Weather
1.00 News

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1.10 Any Cuestions?: James
Naughbe in Marchem,
Oxfordshire with panellists
Ann Clwyd, MP; Martin
Jacques, editor of Marxism
Today; Professor Norman
Stone; and George Walden,
MP (r)
2.00 News: Any Answers:
Jonathan Dimbleby takes
listeners' calls on Issues
raised in Any Cuestions?
2.30 Anstocrats: Play by Brian
Friel. Will the wedding of the
youngest deughter of the
O'Donnell household
strengthen the family

strengthen the family dynasty? (s) (r)

4.00 Classes Apart (new series): Traces the comparative lives and fortunes of three families. First of six 4.30 Science Now with Peter

Evans
5.00 My Heroes (new series):
Cliff Morgan talks to six
guests of distinction about
those who have greatly
influenced them (r)
5.25 Week Ending: Sathical
review of the week's news,
With Bill Wallis, David Tate
and Sally Grace (r) 5.50
Shipping Forecast 5.55
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6.00 News: Scatte Review

6.00 News: Sports Round-up 6.25 Citizens omnibus ection (s)

# 7-10 Stop the Week (s) 7-45 Saturday Night Theatre: Post Captain at Quebec, by John Lucarotti. Sat in 1782 Quebec, the future Admiral

Nelson (Graham Blockey) is a romantic young captain who meets 16-year-old Mary Simpson (Susan Sheridan), the first of many loves (s) 9.00 Music in Mind: Brian Key organts a New Yoor presents a New Year selection (s) 9.50 Ten to Ten led by Fr

Michael Child (s) 9.59 Veather Lawrence Among the Swells. Dramatized feature about D.H. Lawrence's entry into London society as recorded in the memory and letters of critic and writer Nesta McDonald. With Gayla Husnicutt as Grace Lovat Fraser, Marcia King as Harriet Cohen and Brian Miller as D.H. Lawrence (s) 10.45 Face to Face with . . . Sean

Connery, by Brian
Thompson, Another
amusing encounter recalled
by Claude Jenks, Read by
Malcolm Hebden (s) 11.00 Richard Baker Compares

(r) Funny That Way: Barry Cryer profiles Jack Benny Cryer profiles Jack Berny
(s) (r)
12.00-12.30am News; incl 12.20
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1.55-2.00pm Programme News
4.30-5.00 Options: 4.30 Drug
Users — HIV and Aids (new series)
5.00 Jewish Writers (new series)
5.30 Dautsch Express

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News on the hour until 2.00pm.
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TELEVISION CHOICE

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■ In Rescue (ITV, 6.00pm), a helicopter from RAF Lossiemouth in Scotland is called to the aid of a fishing vessel, Budding Rose, which is being pounded by 40 foot waves off the coast of Aberdeen, A winchman is lowered on to the deck to lift off the seven man crew, one of whom is a 15-year-old on only his second voyage. With gale force winds whipping up the sea, the vessel is taking on water and sinking fast. The rescue, therefore, becomes a race against time. What follows is an impressive display of cool professionalism, professionally captured by the cameraman Paul Berriff. The crisply edited and helpfully cap-tioned footage provides the ideal opener to a 13-part series made by Berriff in association with Scottish Television. Berriff followed the helicopter crews of 202 Squadron search and rescue unit during a year in which they answered more than 100 emergency calls. He was rewarded with an abundance of material. from a premature birth in the Orkneys to an avalanche in the Highlands and the Piper Alpha oilfield disaster.



Descending by winch wire: producer/cameraman Paul Berriff (ITV, 6.00pm)

RADIO CHOICE

Peter Davalle

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20 (Vene 10.0 ● Making the Jews Happy (Radio 3, 6.15pm) is Matthew Reisz's drama-documentary about the slow progress of official acceptance of France's Jews, from their reviled status at the time of the Revolution to Napoleon's incorporation of them into the body of the nation. You can tell how long the road was from some of the ideas for dealing with the Jewish problem that were submitted in an essay competition in 1788. They included: "Transport them en masse to the wastelands of Guyana", and "Restrict their activities to running messages and keeping bees." None of the objections to granting the Jews citizenship, raised in the National Assembly, was more grotesque than that they disbarred themselves because they had 56 more holidage a year than Christians had. holidays a year than Christians had.

#### ( BBC 1 II )

8.50 Favourite Walks. Weatherman Francis Wilson takes a walk in

Chesham (r)

9.15 Articles of Faith. John Bowker looks at the way religious traditions are used and misused (r)

9.30 This is the Day. A simple religious sarvice from a viewer's home near Chichester.

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Chichaster
10.00 O'Domell Investigates...Booze.
A two-part report on Britain's alcohol
problem (r) 10.25 Buongiorno
Italia! Italian for beginners (r)
10.50 Europeans. European society and
culture as seen on European
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11.20 Spelling it Out. Steps to

11.20 Spetting if Out. Steps to improving spelling (r). (Ceefax)
11.30 Business Matters. A profile of Claus Motier, the international management expert (r) 11.55
Snapl Better photography series (r)
12.05 See Heart A report from the Clothes Show exhibition at Olympia.
12.30 Landward includes a report on Scotland's environmentally safe area 12.55 Wenther

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12.55 Weather
1.00 News with Chris Lowe followed by
The High Chaparral. Western
adventures starring Leif Erickson
and Cameron Mitchell (r)
2.00 EastEnders. (r). (Ceefax)
3.00 Film: By Your Leave (1934, b/w)
starring Frank Morgan, Genevieve
Tobin and Betty Grable. Cornedy
about a husband who reaches a midife crisis and suggests to his wife
that they should take separate
holidays — with no questions
asked. Directed by Lloyd Corrigan
4.15 Return Journey. Susannah York
returns to her Ayrshire roots near the
village of Symington

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5.05 The Clothes Show. Seline Scott
and Jeff Banks launch the search for the Bride of 1990 and report on the testing of beauty products Antiques Roedshow from Blackpood's Tower Baliroom.

(Ceefax) 6.15 it Doesn't Here to Hurt! June Whitfield presents a new series which encourages viewers to improve their timess. (Ceetax) 6.25 News and Weather. 6.40 Songs of Praise from Naim.

(Ceefax)
7.15 You Rang, M'Lord? Comedy series about an officer who rewards the valour of two soldiers by making them his footman and his butter. Starring Paul Shane, Jeffrey Holland, Su Pollard and Donald Hewlett. (Ceefex) (r)

8.05 See For Yourself. Terry Wogan takes viewers on a tour around the BBC, including a look behind-the-scenes at the World Service, Wimbledon, the Nine O'Clock News, Bread and a new wildlife series. (Ceefax)

9.20 Mastermind. Magnus Magnusson returns with a new series from the Great Hati of Lancaster Great Hall of Lancaster
University. Tonight's specialist
subjects are the Roman Conquest
of Gaul, impressionist and postimpressionist paintings, life in the
English country house 1550-1830,
and the diary of Samuel Pepys.

9.50 News with Martyn Lewis. Weather

10.05 Everymen. Pedro and Blanca...
Going Home. A pair of starving nine-year-old twins from Colombia were rescued by a group of nums and brought to England where they were adopted by a couple from Norwich. This film tells their story and the visit they made to Colombia to trees their roots. to trace their roots.

10.45 Dest John: USA, An American version of the successful British comedy series about a husband abandoned by his wife who decides to join a singles club 11.00 Mosaic. Equal Before the Law. A

report on racial discrimination at

#### ( SCOTTISH )

6-00 TV-am begins with Good Morning Moments presented by Utrike Jonsson. TV-am's holiday highlights; 7.00 it's Standust. Children's entertainment

introduced by Alvin Stardust 8.00 David Frost on Sunday. The guests include Norman Tebbit and Adam Raphael with Frances Edmonds and John Stalker reviewing

technolos and John Statiker reviewing the newspapers

9.25 The Disney Club. Featured today are a four-legged film star, the pop group Living in a Box and a lesson in mime.

10.45 Glen Michael's Cartoon Cavalcade

11.15 Link. Blind actress Alisa Fairley talks about her carmer

talks about her career 11.30 Sin Aged El Gaetic light

12.00 Encounter. Sex and Religion. A comparison between Dutch and British attitudes to sex and

12.30 God's Reps. Billy Graham's Lanarishire converts talk about their new-found faith in God 12.55

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Scotland Today
1.00 News with Fiona Armstrong.
1.10 Snooker: Mercantile Credit
Classic. Tony Francis hosts more
snooker action from Blackpool.
3.30 Highway to Heaven. Jonathan the
apprentice angel comes to the aid of
another human
4.30 Bullseye. Darts and general
knowledge quiz game.
5.00 Scotsport. Jim White introduces a
review of Scotland's weekend
sporting programme

raview of Scotland's weekend sporting programme
6.00 Rescue (see Choice)
6.30 News and weather 6.35
Scotland Today
6.40 Appeal by Ariene Stuart on behalf of Richmondhill House

Highway. Harry Secombe visits north Nortolk and meets people who are entrusted with the trusteeship of land 7.15 Wish Me Luck. The first of a new

drama series about the resistance movement in France during the Second World War. It is 1944 and a group of British agents is working undercover in the French Alps. Starring Catherine Schell, Jane Snowden, Jane Asher and Stuart

Snowden, Jane Asher and Stuart McGugan. (Oracle)
8.15 Agatha Christie's Poirot: Peril at End House starring David Suchet. During a holiday with his friend, Captain Hastings, Poirot meets the beautiful Nick Buckley who narrowly escapes death three times in a very short space of time.

With Hugh Fraser and Polly Walker.

10.15 News with Fiona Armstrong. 10.35 South Bank Show Special:

Pasternak. Melvyn Bragg introduces
a dramatized biography of the
Russian poet and novelist,
celebrating the hundreth

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anniversary of his birth

12.20gm Snooker: Mercantile Credit
Classic. Tony Francis introduces the
action from Blackpool.

1.00 Film: Seven Nights in Japan
(1976) starring Michael York, Hidemi
Aoki and James Villers. The helt
to the British throne takes shore
leave in Tokyo and falls in love
with a geisha girl. Directed by Lewis
Gilbert

3.05 Burke's Law. Comedy mystery series about a millionaire police

captain
4.00 The ITV Chart Show (r)
5.00 IEN Morning News. Ends at 6.00

As Scottish except: 10.45am Robostory 11.15 Jenuselem of Heaven and Earth 11.45 Jenuselem of Heaven and Earth 11.45-12.00 Link 12.30pm-1.00 Jack Thompson Down Under 3.30 One Small Step 4.00-4.30 Country Matters 1.00am Quiz Night 1.30 | Spy 2.30-3.00

#### (30) .... BBC 2

7.30 Playdays (r) 7.50 Jimbo and the Jet Set (r) 7.55 The Railway Dragon. A girt's fantasy about dragons comes true when she discovers one of the last survivors in a railway tunnel 8.20

Halio Spencer 8.45 Smoggies
9.15 Corners (r) 9.30 Thundercats
9.55 Blue Peter Omnibus (r) 10.20
Defenders of the Earth (r)
10.45 Not the End of the World. A two-

part dramatization of Hester Burton's story about a Victorian doctor's daughter (r) 11.10 Boxpops 11.50
The O Zone. Music magazine.
12.00 The Magic Rectangle. Robert
Robinson takes a look at the
phenomenon of the television

personality (r)

1.00 World Darts. The Embassy World Professional Championship 2.20 40 Minutes: Stage Struck (r).

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(Ceefax)
3.00 Film: Dodge City (1939) starring
Errol Flynn. All-action western
directed by Michael Curtiz.
4.40 Ruth Etting in An Old Spanish
Onion (b)w). An RKO short
5.00 Rugby Special presented by Chris

Rea.
6.00 Ski Sunday. The men's slalom from Kranjska Gora, Yugoslavia.
6.35 The Money Programme examines business prospects for the next

decade
7.15 The Natural World: Sisterhood. A 7.15 The Natural World: Sisterhood. A documentary about hyenas (Ceefax) 8.05 Rockford Filea. Jim interrupts a fishing holiday to help a sick friend 8.55 Te Deum, Berlioz's work performed by the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra conducted by Takuo Yuasa (simultaneous broadcast with Radio 3) 9.40 Master Craftsmen. The work of Wick sculptor and glass engraver Denis Mann

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10.00 The Last African Flying Boat.
Writer Alexander Frater retraces the legendary Imperial Airways passage from Cairo to Mozambique 11.15 World Darts. The Embassy World Professional Championships. Ends 12.20am

BBC1 WALES: 11.00mm The Flying Doctors 11.45 Time For Sport 12.30mm-12.35 Country File 12.30mm-12.35 News and weather

BBC2 WALES: 12.00 See Hear 12.30pm-

ANGLIA As Scottish except 12.20pm-1.00
Farming Diary 1.10em Film: "10" 3.30
Transmission 4.30-8.00 Throb.

GRANADA As Scottish except-12.30pm-1.00
Granada This Week 3.30 Cartcon
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Patter Merchants 3.60 Burke's Law 4.00-5.60 Chart
Show.

HTV WEST As Scottish except:12.30pm-1.00
Prisoner: Cell Block H 2.00 Derrick 3.05 Six Read 3.55
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#### CHANNEL 4

6.00 Hallekujah! Gospel music 6.30 Flight Over Spain. Cadiz from the air (r) 7.00 Australian Beautiful (1) / JUV AUSTRIAN DESKUTIUS Gardens. The Ku-ring-gal Wildflower Garden in St Ives, New South Wates (r) 7.30 Box Office Weekly 8.00 The Bluffers. A new

animated series
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8.30 Boy Dominic. Episode nine (r)
9.00 Dennis. Cartoon adventures
9.25 Orientations examines Whitehall's

responsibility to Hong Kong.

10,00 Computer Graphics 10.55
Comic Strip. Anamated cartoon.

11,00 Pob's Programme (r) 11.30 The Henderson Kids. Children's drams serial 12,00 The Weltons 1.00

Land of the Giants
2.00 Opera on 4: Cost Fan Tutte. The
Opera Factory's modern version of Mozart's opera, performed at the Queen Elizabeth Hall in London, with the London Sintonietta conducted

by Paul Daniel. 5.20 The Owl and the Pussycat 5.25 News summary and weather.
5.30 American Football. Highlights of yesterday's games, and a look ahead to tonight's play.

6.30 The Wonder Years. American comedy series
7.00 Fragile Earth: Antarctic Warriors. The new season begins with a first-hand account of the trip made by

hand account of the trip made by the Greenpeace ship Gondwana to the Amarctic 
8.00 Reporting Lebenon. Reporters reflect on their coverage and experience of the war in Lebanon.
9.00 Film: The Hustler (1961, b/w). The uncut version of Robert Rossen's Occavaigning film. Paul Newman. Oscar-winning film. Paul Newman stars as a pool-room hustler trying to convince the world that he can

defeat the legendary champion
Minnesota Fats. Also starring
Jacke Gleason, George C. Scott and
Piper Laurie.

11.35 American Football. Action from

today's games, presented by Mick Luckhurst.

1.05am Van Morrison and the Chieftains recorded at the Uister Hall in Belfast in 1987 (r). Ends at2.05

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10.50 Rockschool 11.15 Sunday Mass 12.00
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5.40 News 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 Iris '90 6.35 Coeby
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#### SKY NEWS

News on the hour.
5.00am Sky News 5.30 Fashion TV
6.30 The Best of Frank Bough 7.30 Rowing Report 6.30 Those Were the Days 9.30
The Wall Street Journal 10.30 Fashion TV
11.30 Our World 12.30am The Editors
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#### SKY MOVIES

From 8.00am The Satellite Shop 2.00 Carry On - Follow That Camel (1967): Phil Silvers stars as a connivin Foreign Legion sergeant in a Beau

Foreign Legion sergeant in a Beau
Geste-style send up
4.00 Star Wars (1977): Starring Mark
Hamill, Harrison Ford, Alec Guinness and
Carrie Fisher
8.00 The Longshot (1986): Four losers
place the wrong bet at a race track
7.40 Projector: Forthcoming movies on

Sky 8.00 Stakeout (1987): Starring Richard Dreyfuss and Emilio Estevez 10.00 The Cotton Club (1984): Gangster drama set in and around the famed Harlem nightclub
12.15am Blue Velvet (1986): Starring
Isabella Rossellini and Dennis Hopper
2.15 Cheech and Chong's the Corsican
Brothers (1984): Cheech Marin and Tommy

Chong camp it up during the French Revolution Revolution
4.00 The Adventures of Buckaroo
Banzai (1984): The rock star, neurosurgeon
and physicist is called upon to save the
world. Ends at 5.35em

**EUROSPORT** 

6.00am The Hour of Power 7.00 Fun Factory 9.00 Menu 9.30 Teanis Legends 10.00 Cycling 11.00 World Cup Skling 12.30pm Rugby Union 2.00 Best of the Year 3.00 Male Athletes of the Year 4.00 World Cup Gymnastics 5.00pm World Cup Skiing 6.00 Handbalt Czechoslovakia v Iceland 7.00 Basketball 8.00 Parts-Dakar Rally 10.15 Goff: The US Skins Game 12.15am Parts-Dakar Rally

6.00em Ray Cokes 10.30 The Big Picture Special Edition 11.00 European Top 20 12.30pm Marcel and Vanthilt 2.30 The Top 100 of the Eightles 6.00 Kristiane Backer 11.00 Night Videos

#### SCREENSPORT

12.30am Sking 1.00 US Pro Ski Tour
1.30 College Football 3.39 Motorsport
4.15 Spanish Soccer 6.00 College
Basketball 7.30 Ice Hockey 9.30 US Pro
Ski Tour 10.00 NFL American Football
12.00 Spanish Soccer 1.45pm Motorsport
2.30 US College Football 4.30 US
College Basketball 6.00 Update; Ice Hockey
8.00 College Football 10.00 Boxing
11.00 College Basketball

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#### RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW News on the half-hour from 5.30am until 12.30pm, then at 2.30, 4.30, 7.30, 9.30

5.00em Tim Smith 7.00 Bruno 5.00em Tim Smith 7.00 Bruho
Brooks Breekfast Show with Liz
Kershaw 9.30 Dave Lee Travis
12.30pen Pick of the Pops with
Alan Freeman 3.00 Scruples II
(new series) 3.30 Philip Schofield
8.00 Top 40 7.00 Anne
Nightingsle's Request Show 9.00
Andy Kershaw 11.00-2.00am

6.35am Open University (FM

6.35am Open University (FM Only)
6.55 Weather and News Headlines
7.00 Ravel and Brahms: Ravel (Rapsodle espegnole: Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra under Bernard Haltink); Brahms (Hungarian Darices: RPO under Rafael Kubelik)
7.30 News

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7.36 Hotfetz and Friends (new series): The first of six programmes. Schubert (Trio No 2 in D, D 581): Mozart (Simfonia concertante in E flat, K 364).
8.30 News

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8.35 Your Concert Choice: Eigar
(Celio Concerto: LSO under
André Previn); Vaughan
Williams (Four Hymns: LPO
under David Willicocks);
Dvofák (String Quartet in F,
Op 96: Delmé String
Quartet); Beethoven
(Svandony No 7: Polish

Tadaski Otaka performs Poulers (Organ Concerto in G minor); Brahms (A German Requiem, Op 45) 1.00pm Poet of the Month: A

selection of his own works is introduced and read by

performs Three Airs:

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planist Midnai Pletnev
performs Schumann
(Faschingsschwank aus
Wien, Op 26); Liszt
(Plangarian Rhapsody No
12, S 244); Schumann
(Arabeake, Op 18); Grieg
(Lyric Pieces: Bell Ringing;
Homesickness; Berceuse;
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Butterfly; Grandmother's

(arch of the Troils)

Orchestra under André

Symphony No 96); Richard Stauss (Don Juan); Dvořák Symphony No 8); Josef Strauss (Delinerwalzer)

revin; water David Wilcoc.
Dvořák (Striog Quarts),
Bethoven
(Symptony No 7: Poksh.
RSO under Witold Rowicki)
10-20 Music Weekly with Michael
Oliver, Turn of the Decades
the musical significant
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Evans; The
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renos - Penelope
Thwestes in conversation
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Graham Knight 7.30 The Best of
Good Morning Sunday 9.05
Melodies For You 11.00 Your
Radio 2 Al-Time Greats
2.00pm Benny Green 3.00
Sounds Easy 4.00 Black Magic
(new series) 4.30 Sing Something
Simple 5.00 (no FM service)
7.00 Gorham and Swift 7.30
Dennis O'Neil 8.30 Sunday
Half-Hour 9.00 Your Hundrad Best
Tures 10.05 Songs From The
Shows 10.45 Leurie Holloway
11.00 Sounds of Jazz 1.00am
Nightride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night
Music

4.10 Hohenems Schubertiede
1989 (new series): The first
of seven Schubert song
recitals, with programmes
arranged by opus number,
is introduced by Richard
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soprano, Thomas Hampson,
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#### RADIO 2

#### WORLD SERVICE

Wigmons, Anestr Auger, soprano, Thomas Halmpson, baritone, Irwin Gage, plano, perform Op 58: Hektors Abschied; An Emma; Dea Mādchens Klage; Op 106: Heimliches Lieben; Deis Weinen; Vor meiner Wisge; An Sylvia; Op 52: Five Songs from Scott's The Lady of the Lake; Op 36: Romanze des Richard Löwenherz; Op 6: Merranon; Antigone und Oedip; Am Grabe Anselmos; Op 98: Abendied für die Entferne; Thekla; Um Mitternacht; An die Musik
6.15 Making the Jews Happy (see Choice)
7.00 Hanson String Quartet performs Michael Short (Fantasiestick); Prokofier. (String Quartet No 1, Op 50)

7.40 Bach's Father-in-Law:
Music by Johann Michael
Bach, 1646-94. Auf, lasst
uns den Herren lobes
(Musica Antiqua of Cologne
under Reinhard Goebes);
Allein Gott in der Höhsei
Ehr (Wilhelm Krumbach,
ornen); Liebster Jass. hör organ); Liebster Jesu, hör mein Flehen (Musica Antique of Cologne under

Goebel) 2.00 BBC Scottish SO under Takuo Yuasa; Bearsden Burgh Choir; Scottish Philhermonic Singers; Choristers of Old St Paul's Choristers of Old St Paul's Episcopal Church, Edinburgh, Palsley Albbey and St Mary's Catholic Cathedral, Edinburgh, perform Wagner (Overture, Die Meistersinger); Liszt, (Symphonic poem, Tasso) incl 8.35 Letter from; Glasgow, Playwright, John McGrath reflects, as she city launches its veer as

encuran renects, 45,579 in launches its year as European Cultural Capital 8,55 Beritoz (Te Deuin) 9,55 Four "Dreadful" Talesi, by Anton Chekhov, 2: Typhus, read by Alec McCowda 40,10 Alexander Crothe Kasma read by Alec McCoweri
10.10 Alexander Goehr: Karine
Georgian, cello, lan Brown,
plano, perform Cello
Sonata, Op 45
10.30 Meditation for Epiphany: Music and readings recorded in Bristol

Cathedral 11.30 La Capricciosa: Mitzi Meyerson, harpsichord, performs Buxtehude (32 Variations on a Popular ISS Close

5.00cms German Features 5.35 News in German; Headifree in English and French 5.50 Financial Review 5.55 Weather and Features 5.00 News 5.09 Book Cholca Features 5.00 News 5.09 Book Cholca Travel News 6.00 Newsdesk 8.30 Londres Features 5.00 News 5.09 Book Cholca Travel News 6.00 Newsdesk 8.30 Londres 5.15 Club 648 5.30 Londres Soir 6.15 BBC Matin 7.30 News 7.30 From Cur Own Correspondent 7.50 Waveguide 8.00 News 8.00 Words of Faith 6.15 The Pressure's Yours 8.00 News 8.09 Personal View 8.30 Counterpoint 9.07 Pressure's Yours 8.00 News 9.09 Renew Yours 10.00 Newsburt 11.00 News 11.05 Book Cholca 8.45 Short Story. The Madman's Leston 90.01 Science in Action 10.38 in Praise of God 11.00 News 11.05 Letter from America 11.30 Colours 12.00 News About Britain 11.15 From Our Own Cond Book 1.45 James Gelway 2.00 News Correspondent 11.30 Londres Nidd 12.01 per Play of the Week Singing the Drawn of Kalland 1.00 News 1.09 24 Hours; 1.30 Sports Roundup 1.45 Personal View 2.01 Colours 2.30 Anything Cose 3.00 Newsdesk 4.30 Newsdesk 4.30

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2.30 Classic Serial (new series): Jim Davis, by John Masefield (s) (r) 3.30 The Trade Reg: Nick Baker

4.00 Dephne du Maurier (r)
4.47 Fragile Paradise: Beginning in the Solomons, Andrew on its islands (r)
5.00 News; Down Your Way:
Muriel Gray discovers why her native Glasgow has been recognized as this year's cultural capital of Europe S.40 Letters from the Sticks: Part

1: Womeg, David Bean dispatches a personal report on contemporary rural life (r) 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News 6.15 Feedback (new series) with Chris Dunkley (r) 6.30 The Root of the Matter (new series): Analysis of key issues from around Britain 7.00 Cat's Whiskers: Presented

LW (s) stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing; Weather 6.10 Prelude (s) 6.30 . Morning Hes Broken (s) 6.55 Weather 7.00 News 7.10 Sunday Papers 7.15 On Your Farm: Officer Watston takes breakfast

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8.10 Sunday Papers 8.50
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on behalf of the Family
Rights Group 8.55 Weather
9.00 News 9.10 Sunday Papers
9.15 Letter From America (r)
9.10 Morning Service from Trinity
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11.30 Pick of the Week (s) (r)
12.15 pm Desert Island Discs: Sue
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MP (s) 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World This Weekend
1.55 Shipping Forecast
2.00 Gardeners' Question Time
from Suansas
2.00 Closein Serial (new serios)

examines four newspapers and magazines serving four different trades and professions. 1: The Stage

(s) (r) Daphne: A portrait of Dame Mitchell undertakes a sixpart journey across the Pacific, examining the delicate belence of nature

7.30 Bookshelf (r) 8.00 The Sittsford Mystery (new series): Part 1: The Message. Five-part

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Christie's novel. (s) (r)
8.30 Fighting For Peace: Barry
Cowan explores the ideals
of those struggling for
peace in Northern Ireland
8.00 Enquire Within (new series)
with Dilly Barlow (r)
9.15 The Natural History
Programme 9.59 Weather
10.15 Pillars of Society: James
McNaughtie examines the
role of the Royal Opera
House as a pillar of Britain's
artistic world (r)

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11-00 The Blue: Julian Roach explores man's fascination with the sky (r)

11.30 Seeds of Faith: Grace Sheppard reflects on the experience of fear (s)

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"very high" risk of avalanches

in the Cairngorms was issued yesterday after four climbers

Three men, struck as they

climbed Coire An T-sneachda

yesterday, were named by police as Mr Steve Aisthorpe,

aged 26, from Welton, near Lincoln; Mr John Barker,

from Rothley, Leicestershire; and Mr Robert Owen, aged 40,

Mr Kenneth Ferguson, aged

30, of New Elgin, Grampian, who was caught in an ava-

lanche at the foot of a gulley in

Coire na Criche, near

Braemar, was said to be in a

satisfactory condition at

Aberdeen Royal Infirmary.

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Knossington,

were caught in two falls.

Snow reports

and others completely.

Travel.

The sales were given the goahead by the Chamber of Trade when it established that 200,000 suits and 400,000 dresses were gathering dust in the four state-run department stores of East Berlin. "There is simply no room to bring in the summer stock," said Herr Peter Schkölzige from the trade organization.

East Germans know that this is not a symbol of super abundance but a tribute to the fact that most of the clothes on sale are a monument to the fashions of the 1950s. The

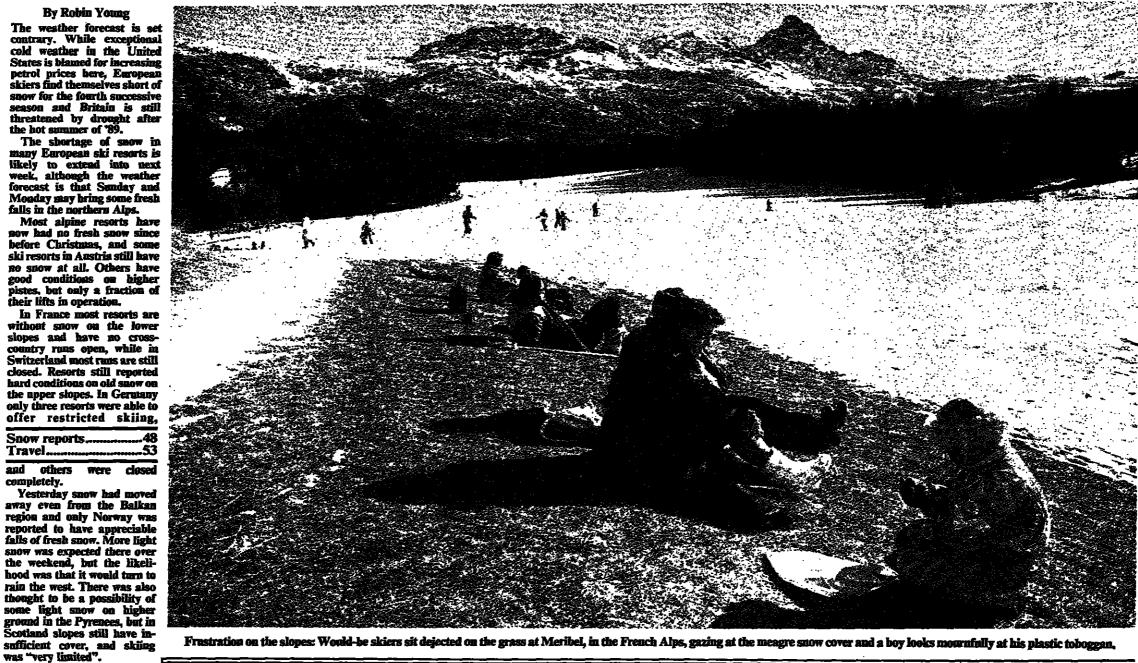
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factories which produce then. worked to standard designs, often over a decade old. They then hang unsold in the stores. Since the reforms even the managers of the state-run

enterprises have admitted that there is little demand for their fashionwares but until now they were not allowed to reduce prices, set by the omnipotent Ministry of Prices and Salaries. With the approach of a market economy now deemed imminent, both state and private shops are being encouraged to speed up ways of awakening interest.

On the first floor of the Centrum Department Store on the Alexander Platz a row of polyester yellow and pisk women's suits of uncertain ตั้งใ hung forlornly under the banner "chic and fashionable clothes from the GDR". But even at half price there were no takers. "I don't think we could give those away," said

"This sale is a dream for Jens Richter, aged 18, casting around with a group of fellow 1970s fans for suitably offensive garments. "It is utterly tasteless," he said.



Frustration on the slopes: Woold-be skiers sit dejected on the grass at Meribel, in the French Alps, gazing at the meagre snow cover and a boy looks mournfully at his plastic toboggan,

#### Scots fight move to put clocks back

By Kerry Gill

Government proposals to put the clocks forward one hour during the winter have been greeted with profound dismay all over Scotland.

Mr Malcolm Rifkind, the Secretary of State for Scotland, is expected to fight plans to put Britain on the same time as the rest of the European Community if a full

parliamentary debate is held. Yesterday, as dawn broke at 9 am over Fair Isle - 27 miles north-east of the northern tip unanimous in their opposition rising at 10 am and children increase in costs and Government green paper.

Most crofters in the highlands and islands of Scotland carry out their work in the first few hours of the day. By 3 pm

Mrs Pat Thomson, who runs a croft with her husband Neil, said: "I would say that every single person on Fair north-east of the northern tip Isle is against changing the of Orkney — islanders were clocks. It would mean the sun

to the move, proposed in a travelling to school at least two hours before daybreak."

The inhabitants of Shetland. Britain's most northerly group of islands, are also almost all against the plan. In Glasgow, 400 miles

south, where dawn broke at 8.42, the Confederation of British Industry, Scotland, said a change would be senseless. The Scottish Building Employers Federation, said productivity was highest in the morning. This could be harmed by an extra hour of darkness and could lead to an if a debate takes place.

Mr Ken Smith, assistant

director of CBI, Scotland, said that while the CBI nationally backed a change, his own members were opposed. "Our own financial centre in Edinburgh, which regularly deals across time zones, tells us that harmonization doesn't make a blind bit of difference."

Scottish Tories are opposed to the move almost to a man although a change is expected to get the backing of a majority in the House of Commons

#### **Defence haggling** Continued from page 1

12-point case brought in Miami in February 1988.

These accuse General Noriega among other things of taking more than \$4.6 million to protect the Medellin drug cartel. He is also charged with selling chemicals used by the cartel to make cocaine and drug laundering. He faces additional more specific charges of marijuana smug-

Without the Panama evidence, or help from fellow officers prosecuted with the general, the government case personal quarters.

dence from a bevy of convicted drug traffickers and the word of Mr Jose Blandon, a former Noriega confidant who

has testified to Congress. Lawyers in Miami said the local charges were never developed because the prosecutors considered it unlikely that General Noriega would ever be brought to face them.

The prosecutors are expected to draw up specific charges relating to pure cocaine seized by the invading forces in General Noriega's

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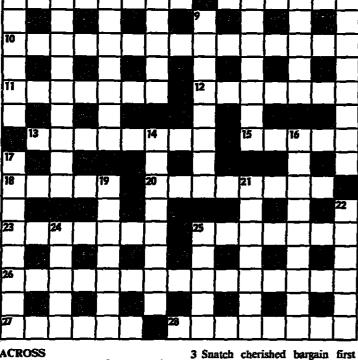
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#### THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,184



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- 5 Clasp for hatch (6). 10 Excessive charge for such a naturally visible crime (8,7).
- 11 Sole means of beating errant type? (7). 12 Repeatedly save a girl (7).
- cross (8). 15 A preference for uniform (5).
- 18 Fit side (5). 20 The cut stone may, possibly, be
- 23 Artistic movement comes to stop without platform (7).
- 25 Second cellar, we hear, unfinished for wine (7).
- 26 This race is grand with a couple of ponies (8,7).
- 27 Tell king to cheer up (6). 28 Chief support for dam in southem river (8).
- DOWN 1 Reserved in two ways (6).
- 2 Transport over old part of county, wrongly taking car (3-6).

Solution to Puzzle No 18,183

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17 Depart in order to get golden eagle, perhaps (8). 19 Clothes for a match - victory in international coming up (4-3). 21 Sackcloth and ashes, in disarray 22 Lower or upper body garment

4 Special vital fluid secreted by which organ? (5).

6 Fifty-two countries in Europe,

7 The uneven parts of that letter

8 Blow for farmworker hoping to

9 Wrongly take bishop before time

14 What's behind China preparing

16 On the spot north of Cowes, about five on the rocks (9).

for new conflict? (8).

benefit from sunshine? (8).

in game (8).

24 Waggish noble upset lady, initially (5). 25 Pasty material mother put round bottom of fig (5).

Solution to Puzzle No 18,178



SHEAFFER. A prize of a distinctive Sheaffer "Targa" Regency Stripe fountain pen with a solid 14-carat gold inlaid nib will be given for the first five correct solutions opened next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to: The Times, Saurday Crossword Competition, PO Box 486. Virginia Street, London El 9DD. The winners and solution will be published next Saturday.

Name/Address

#### WORD-WATCHING A daily safari thro language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard MALICHO a. Mischief b. A Korean glove puppet c. The Cape gooseberry ers

a. Stuttering
b. Proto-Gaelic
c. The bitter vetch RASSE

h. An oyster-shell rezor c. Oat straw **ENCOLPION** b. A hot poultice

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National traffic and roads vational motorways. East Anglia North-west England North-east England Scotland AA Roadwatch is charged at 5p for 8 seconds (peak and standard) 5p for 12 seconds (off peak). The winners of last Saturday's competition are: B J Broughton

Competition are: B J Broughton, Grey Havens, Bowness on Solway, Carlisle, Cumbria: J Casals, Tanglewood, Radfall Hill, Chesifield, Whitstable, Kent; R J Daly, Birch Grove, Banchory, Scotland; M Mutes, Dolphin Square, London; G R McGregor, Lady Road, Edinburgh. Concise crossword, page 44

#### WEATHER

Scotland and Northern Ireshowers, and it will be windy. Northern England and north Wales will have some sunny spells and a few showers. South Wales, south-west England and the Midlands will be cloudy, with rain at first, but brighter later., The rest of England will be cloudy with rain. Outlook: Showery, cold.

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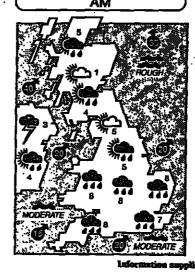
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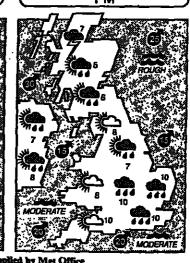
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#### Temple bid for SeaCon extended

Temple, the consortium bidding \$1.12 billion (£685.8 million) for Sea Containers, the Sealink ferries enterprize, has again extended its offer, to January 19, while strongly criticising the SeaCon board for "attempting to coerce"

shareholders.
The bidders, whose appeal from an earlier defeat in the Bermuda courts will start on January 22, are angry that SeaCon shareholders will con-sider the management's rival restructuring plan at a special meeting on February 24, before they can vote on Temple's

plans for the company.

Temple, jointly owned by the Swedish shipping line Stena and Britain's Tiphook container group, wants to remove the existing board and replace it with its own nominees.

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assets exceeding £30 million. satisfy the criteria under the Act, on the grounds that the acquisition of the holdings gives CGE and Southern a significant level of influence over the

Company supervisors are looking flat-footed after being led one too many dances by the Bond Group.

Federal ministers can only be grateful that Mr Bond's demise should, hopefully, not trigger the sort of national calamity that was

Then, the Bond Group's debt

total external borrowings. The race in recent months to offload more than Aus\$6 billion of Bond group assets has eased concern that a collapse could spark a banking crisis and deliver a painful jolt to the economy. Fortunately, 100, most of the banks still exposed to Mr Bond

But nagging questions remain. How did be get so far? What went wrong? Why did someone not call a

are owned overseas.

Bankers, brokers and the investing public - from New York to Sydney - were swept up by Mr Bond's irrepressible enthusiasm and

Singapore firm seeks majority stake in group

None was too bothered about his

group's high-risk strategy so long as it kept piling up the earnings and expanding at great net speed.

Only a year ago, Mr Bond was riding high. Apparently unscathed by the stock market crash the year before, Australia's brashest businessman was still borrowing and buying big.

He was overseeing a disparate empire that stretched from Hong Kong television to United States brewing, British property to Chilean telephones. Board rooms around the globe trembled at his appearance on

castle is in ruins. Dismantling of the Bond Group began last year and will accelerate. And the Perth businessman is a laughing stock in the world of international finance.

Mr Bond is still sitting on about Aus\$250 million of personal debt.

His pursuit of corporate growth was achieved in a flurry of spectacular local takeovers and audacious foreign raids, punctuated by highly profitable asset sales and fuelled all the time by an unprecedented borrowing binge. His chances of staging a comeback if he does cede control, are most doubtful. Few banks would lend support, and there must be few private investors

# Higgs rejects Lovell

YJ Lovell has launched a £!60 million final offer for Higgs & Hill, the rival construction group. The bid was accompanied by another fiery exchange between the two about the health of their businesses and their future profits.

Higgs rejected the bid almost immediately, claiming it "totally failed to reflect the value of its business." It accused Lovell of having speculative housebuilding profits and suggests its financial position is already stretched.

Lovell is offering a similar cash, shares and preference shares package to its original bid, but has doubled the cash element to 126p per share. The full bid is worth 479p a share, with an increased cash alternative worth 461p. This is 65p above the previous offer.

It originally thought it would win the bid at 450p a share, but has been forced higher due to the strength of Higgs' defence. Higgs' shares sank 11p to 448p since the market had been expecting a bid of up to £5 a share. Traders doubted whether the bid would succeed at this level.

Lovell's shares by contrast gained 14p to 244p, in relief that the market was not being asked to underwrite a significantly higher offer. Lovell has traditionally stood at a premium to the construction sector, but has missed its recent 15 per cent rise due to the bid.

Sir Brian Hill, Higgs' chairman, said: "they are only offering an exit price/earnings ratio of 8.6, which is close to the sector average. If Lovell expects to take out a business of our quality without a premium they are wholly wrong."

In its previous defence, Higgs tried to show that on an asset valuation for its housebuilding and property division together with an earnings value for its construction division, the company was worth more than 600p a share, plus a premium for control. Higgs' rejection questions

the whole base of Lovell's profitability. It asks if its housebuilding profits will fall this year, if its US business is secure, and shows that the group's on and off-balance sheet debt had risen from £98 million to £160 million in the

year to September.
"Look at them," said Mr
Andrew Wassell, Lovell's chief executive. "They have had a 50 per cent drop in private housebuilding sales last year, compared with our increase, and we are forecasting an increase this year. Which of us is stronger?"

The final offer's first closing

## King of survivors feels his crown slipping Aus\$12 billion (£5.8 billion), more than 10 per cent of the country's wheeler-dealer.

From Martin Winn, Sydney

The "great survivor" may finally be about to step aside, or at least share his crown. But reverberations from the demise of Mr Alan Bond's once proud empire will, like most events in his roller-coaster career, or left far and wide.

Mr Bond has achieved wonders promoting Australia to the world business stage over the past 10 years. But the vast international publicity generated by his slow and agonizing slide from grace is proving a millstone for other Australian businessmen.

Bankers are closing their doors to enterprising companies, and firms daring to make forays overseas

Alan Bond, the beleague-

red Australian business-

man, has given a sign he

may be prepared to give up control of Bond Corp

by entering into negotiat-

ions with California Pac-

ific International, a Sing-

apore investment com-

pany, for the sale of a con-

trolling interest in his

In a statement yesterday

from Los Angeles, where Weatherby, CPI's US subsid-iary, is based, Mr Jeff Reyn-olds, the CPI chairman, said

negotiations were "going on

with Australia's Bond Corp

Holdings in which CPI would

acquire a controlling interest"

in return for an investment of "as much as Aus\$250 million [£120 million]."

Initially, Bond Corp denied

knowledge of the talks but

later Mr Tony Oates, Bond

Corp's finance director, said:

There have been some dis-

cussions with the chairman

about injecting equity into

Mr Reynolds said the cash

injection would be in ex-

change for an undetermined

number of ordinary shares

issued through a private place-

ment which would be ap-

proved by Bond Corp share-

It is unclear just how far

negotiations have progressed

but sources said it appears Mr

Bond is talking as chairman of

Dallhold Investments, his

family company, which owns

about 52 per cent of Bond

However, the clinching of a

deal is predicated on legal

proceedings, initiated by Nat-

ional Australia Bank, to place

Bond Corp into receivership

being resolved, and talks with

Mr Bond will not take place

Bond Corp."

holders.

master company.

shouldered. Fall out from the debtladen Bond Corporation has also reached the political arena.

And the West Australian government, Mr Bond's one-time eager ally now turned bitter enemy, is battling to distance itself from the state's biggest financial disaster.

threatened last year.

By Angela Mackay

by and California Pacific

International was to restruc-

ture the majority of Bond's

troubled debt through a combination of equity and

debt placements, the divest-

ment and/or spinning off of

mit the organization to con-

centrate on its significant

brewing, media and natural

He said Bond Corp would

not be or become the subject

of a liquidation. The group's

objectives were to reorganize

Bond Corp, and to diversify

its business operations to in-

Two yachts

on sale

for £20.2m

Antibes (Reuter) - Mr Alan

Bond is selling two sailing

boats valued at more than \$33 million (£20.25 million) a

yachting agent said.

Mr Peter Insull, who is

arranging the sales, said the Bond Corporation yacht

at Antibes, has a market value

The other boat, a three-

masted schooner once known

as Jessica, but re-named

Schooner XXXX to publicize

Bond's breweries, has been

estimated at \$8.5 million, he

Mr Insull denied that Mr

Bond is anxious to sell quickly to meet demands from cred-

itors. "Our instructions are to

sell them at their normal

market price," he said, adding

they had been up for sale since

of \$25 million.

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mountain had peaked at almost

Bond in talks on control For the first time, Mr until this occurs. Mr Reynolds clude financial services and also said the goal of Weathersteel. Mr Reynolds also said a

> Provided the court case is laid to rest, a meeting with Mr Bond is expected before Janu-

non-core operations — to perary 15. Meanwhile, the queue of angry creditors demanding instant repayment by Bond Corp lengthened yesterday, when US investors asked the company's brewing division to buy back \$510 million (£313 million) of its debentures (Martin Winn writes from Sydney).

Drexel Burnham Lambert and other debenture holders made their demand in the Victoria supreme court, after intervening to support last week's appointment of receivers to Bond Brewing.

Lawyers representing the American investors said they may apply early next week for the liquidation of Bond Brewing or even Bond Corporation if, as seems inevitable, they are not refunded by then.

The latest blow to Mr Bond came as he continued a legal fight to regain control of his core Australian breweries. It took the total of repayment demands served on the Bond group to Aus\$1.6 billion about a quarter of net borrowings.

The rush of calls on Bond Corp overshadowed a rare victory for the group, in the Perth supreme court, which threw out the first legal move to appoint a provisional liquidator for the company.

It dismissed the winding-up petition by the West Australian State Government Insurance Commission, as "an abuse of the court process" and said it had not proved Bond Corp was insolvent.



Negotiating: Alan Bond, who is talking with California Pacific International in Los Angeles | date is January 20.

# Fewer new US jobs Dollar weakens on as economy slows

economy, US employers are continuing to create jobs but at a much slower rate than at the start of last year. Businesses outside the farm sector hired 142,000 employees during December.

The figure, which was al-ready below average, was affected by the return to work of company workers. The number of manufacturing jobs fell for the ninth month in a row.

higher cost of borrowing as the Federal Reserve sought to losses since March last year to continued to fall.

#### From Susan Ellicott, Washington In a further sign of a sluggish 195,000, the Labour Depart-

October.

ment reported. Its survey of households

found that the overall unemployment rate for the last month of 1989 was 5.3 per cent, or equal to the downwardly revised November figure and the average rate for 1989. Last month 6.7 million Americans were looking for 55,000 striking telephone jobs but unable to find them. Overall growth in jobs dur-

ing the second half of last year was an average 150,000 a Manufacturing industry, month, compared with which suffered last year from a 270,000 a month over the previous two and a half years. Most job growth was in the control inflation, shed 25,000 service industries, while the jobs last month, bringing number of building jobs

# faltering growth

By Rodney Lord, Economics Editor

The renewed downtrend in February elections, and the the dollar, set off by the Bundesbank's intervention, was given a further push by the US employment figures showing a weak economy.

After the announcement that the increase in non-farm payrolls had dropped from 222,000 to 142,000 last month the dollar fell by almost a pfennig and bond prices rose as lower interest rates became more likely.

By mid-afternoon in London the dollar was trading previous close.

at around DM1.6810, down 0.85 of a pfennig on the The yen, however, re-

uncertainties surrounding the weeks."

dollar traded up 0.4 of a yen at Y144. The pound was firmer, ris-

ing against both the dollar and the mark.

By mid-afternoon it was trading up 0.95 of a cent at \$1.6370 and up 1.03 pfennigs at DM2,7559. The effective rate index was 0.3 firmer at 87. Mr Stephen Hannah, of NatWest Capital Markets, said: "There is definitely a

"When you acquire a bombed-out status there is only one way to go.

"The pound is likely to consolidate and make some mained weak on the political progress over the next few

better tone to sterling.

Reference over CGE and Southern levels of influence in firms

# IMC to examine water stakes

#### By Martin Waller

Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Trade Secretary, has referred holdings in two small water companies to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission for a four-month investigation.

The stakes are 29 per cent in Mid Kent, held by the British offshoot of Compagnie Generale des Eaux, and 25 per cent in Mid Sussex, held by the recently-privatized Southern Water.

must refer any "merger" where both parties control a water enterprise with Mr Ridley has decided the two stakes

probe into the merger of three London water companies to create Three Valley Water announced last summer. The MMC last month obtained an extension of this investigation until February 12.

Southern itself said it did not believe the February 1989 share purchase that triggered the reference - which increased its stake in Mid Sussex from 14.8 per cent to 20.05 per cent - had in any way changed the role it played in the affairs of

Comment Mid Sussex, and it had not acted against the public interest.

At the time of the purchase the water company's most recent accounts indicated it was below the £30 million asset level, said Southern. CGE was unavailable for comment.

Mr Chris Rowland, water analyst at The references follow a similar MMC Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker, said of Mr Ridley's latest decision: "I don't think it's any great surprise."

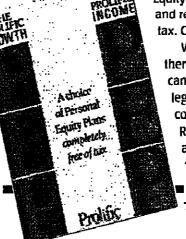
There are 29 local water companies, 28 of them with quoted stock, alongside the 10 privatized regional authorities. Mr Rowland said he expected that number to shrink rapidly over the next three to four years, to perhaps a dozen of the smaller companies.

Saur, another French water company, also has interests in both Mid Kent and Mid Sussex, but has escaped an MMC investigation. Its 18.6 per cent of Mid Kent is not thought to give it sufficient

Saur also has a controlling interest in Mid Sussex, although the Southern stake now under investigation serves to block any conversion to plc status. Saur bid for Mid Sussex, however, before the January 11, 1989, cut-off date set in the Act for any review of mergers in the water

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#### **BUSINESS ROUNDUP**

#### Tunnel groups to hold crucial talks on costs

The companies and banks behind the Channel Tunnel will be locked in a series of crucial meetings over the weekend in a bid to keep the project alive:

Eurotumnel, the Anglo-French group which hopes to run the tunnel, and Transmanche Link, the consortium of contractors building it, have still to reach agreement on the costs of the project, which are expected to reach more than £7 billion, £1 billion more than originally estimated. They are due to meet with representatives of Eurotunnel's 200 bankers on Tuesday. Eurotunnel said it was confident a deal would be

#### Reed in £4m expansion

ing the children's informa-tion and reference division of Macmillan Education and a 49 per cent stake in Bottom Line Publications for about £4 million. The Macmillan purchase will become part of Heinemann and the Bottom Line stake, which is a monthly Canadian newsletter supplying business and finance information, will add to Butterworth's Canadian

#### Japanese help for Polish

Yamaha, the Japanese piano maker and Sumitomo Life Insurance are to belp finance the building of a cultural centre in Poland in memory of Frederic Chopin, the Polish composer and pianist. Construction will cost about \$18 million (£11 million), according to Asahi Shimbun the Japanese newspaper. It added that Yamaha will put up \$2 million and Sumitome \$4 million by buying shares to be issued by the centre.

#### MAS image warning

fails to check deteriorating standards which have marred its "golden service" image, Mr Ling Liong Sik, the transport minister, said.

Malaysian Airline System (MAS) has come under fire for flight delays, poor service and overbooking. MAS took delivery of two Boeing 747-400s last December as part of its 5.5 billion ringgit (£1.23 billion) plan to replace its fleet of 42 aircraft by 1994. Analysts have forecast net profits for the year to March up 50 per cent to a record 229 million ringgit.

#### Diploma buys C&W quiet US company on sale talk

Diploma, the electrical com- Cable and Wireless offered

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ponents and building prod- no comment on reports that octs group which last year it had sold a 15 per cent or gave a warning about trading conditions, is buying Wakefield Electronics for £15 China's China International million. Wakefield distributes computer networking China Corp is one of China's cables in the United States main state-owned investment and made profits of £1.59 arms. Cable and Wireless million on sales of £10.2 has plans to sell a 10-20 per million in the nine months to cent holding at a price September. Net assets were around the November av-£6.31 million. Diploma erage for the shares of chares fell 4p to 181p. HK\$4.56.

#### Chemists for AAH

AAH Holdings, the distribution and services group, has bought several retail chemists for £6.4 million, to be funded by the issue 1.57 million ordinary shares and £50,000 in cash. The deal includes Thompson (Chemists), with 14 chemists on

The deal incinees a nompson (Chemists), with 14 chemists we Tyneside, Whitecross Pharmacy in Weston-super-Mare, Avon, and Prestons Chemists, in Whalley, Lancashire.

The pharmacies, with assets of about £2.2 million, will be added to AAH's chain of Vantage chemists. The company said bealthcare is maintaining an above-budget performance. AAH shares fell 10p to 415p.

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#### 'People require the adoption of a programme of popular capitalism'

# Picking up pieces in Eastern Europe

John Redwood, the Corporate Affairs Minister, analyses how communist bloc countries can rebuild their economies in the wake of revolution and reform

It has taken a little over 140 armies should be turned topsy munist Manifesto. The unacceptable face of communism was easiest to see in Ceausescu's Romania.

There, a tyrant took literally the Marxist requirement to erode "the distinction between town and country" by bulldozing villages and rehousing people against their will in blocks of flats that made Le Corbusier look like an environmentally-friendly architect. Yet throughout Eastern Europe most of the 10 points of Marx's political creed were implemented, with serious consequences for freedom and for prosperity.

How can a communist state living through a democratic revolution set about rebuilding its shattered economy? It will not be easy.

It is tempting to think that if they do the opposite of all that Marx recommended that they will make more rapid pro-gress. Yet that would be a little unjust, as Marx's tenth precept for social advance, the abolition of child labour and the provision of free education for all children has much to recommend it and also forms part of the liberal and social democratic traditions.

The other nine points, embracing various types of nationalization, the imposition of heavy taxation, the abolition of all private property and the establishment of forced labour

years to discover the full cost turvy. The West has much to of following the practical pro-gramme in Karl Marx's Com-constructing free democracies and enterprise economies.

> There are 10 practical points in the policies of popular capitalism which many of the new parties in Comecon are likely to adopt in whole or in part. Central to them all is the creation of private property. selling the vision of every man as an owner. The emerging democracies are making hesitant steps in this direction.

In Hungary, leases are lengthening and the sale of municipal housing is being discussed. In Romania, an early measure permits direct family participation in small-holdings to lift the output of food. In Russia, the output of

#### • Large state monopolies have to be split up and opened up to new

competition 9 small private farms is already many times that on equivalent

collective acres.

The brave will go further faster. As the state owns so much land and property, it should sell it at low prices to the citizens so that all have a chance to own a holding as soon as possible. The process



The way forward: John Redwood sees the creation of private property as central for recovery

that will otherwise prove very inflationary as the controls come off, and give many an incentive to till and produce more food which is desperately needed.

A parallel change could invigorate industry and commerce with the competitive and incentive-based drive of an enterprise economy. The large state monopolies have to be split up and opened to new competition. Businesses have to be sold into private hands rapidly, and a new generation of shareholders created. This, too, will help take surplus local currency out of circulation and restore the will to work, to

invest and to innovate. Hungary has aiready appointed a privatization commissioner who is charged with just such a mammoth task. Poland is actively discussing a similar programme.

Getting the national budget into shape is going to be painful. As each country applies

would mop up surplus savings for IMF help and western have proved beyond doubt grants and loans, it will face the reality of having to cut back severely on its expenditures.

> There is no scope for higher taxes - they have to be lowered to compensate for the risks of enterprise as a new group of entrepreneurs is laboriously created. Food subsidies, housing subsidies, large payments to state businesses to offset their losses will all have to be scaled down or removed. Budgets have to be brought closer to balance, and schemes worked out to refinance or pay off some of the colossal outstanding debts. Each of the

eastern European countries needs more foreign exchange. They need to buy western technology and goods, especially for investment to begin to catch up on decades of missing technology.

The wise eastern states will make their currencies convertible as soon as possible. The ments want to sell shares in lesser-developed countries state enterprises to western

investment. In each case, asset values are low and basic costs like wages are also low by Western standards. The risks are more than reflected in the asking prices. Britain can help with advice

on how economies can be reformed and turned round. Eastern Europe is fascinated to learn how the UK turned the worst Western steel industry into the most efficient and

profitable within 10 years. It is keen to know more about the revival of east London with private capital, and the way our privatization programme created so many new owners, direct participants in the commercial life of the

There are those who think the Berlin Wall has come down and the civil war fought in Romania because 12 countries in Western Europe have put together the 1992 programme. These same exponents see our response to eastern Europe as a diversion from Western European political union. They have misunderstood the motive power and significance of the movements in eastern Europe.

Events there are driven by an urge to enjoy democratic freedom and a necessity to reform economies on liberal enterprise lines so that their people have enough to eat and a decent standard of living.

overseas investor is more People are not coming westlikely to spend his cash in a country where he can remove wards to enjoy the benefits of the Package Holiday directive or to harmonize their lawn-All of Eastern Europe needs mower noise levels. They are inward western investment. drawn westwards by images of the Statue of Liberty, Mac-There are many opportunities for British business in Hungary, Czechoslovakia and East donalds and Disneyland.

They require the adoption Germany, and there is no reason why the West Germans of a general programme of popular capitalism to bolster should sign all the contracts. the new democracies. The West should help them on western partners with capital those same terms - by tradand technology. Some governing, advising and investing in the new wider Europe.

#### John Williams soars

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

The rationalization programme at John Williams Industries, the iron founder and property investor formerly called John Williams of Cardiff, helped boost its pretax profits from £41,000 to £277,000 in the year to end-September on turnover up from £18.9 million to £20.4

0.36p - against a loss of 0.59p - and the group is paying a final dividend of 0.5p after omitting the interim.

There was no dividend last year. There is also an extraordinary credit of £295,000 (profits from the sale of the Glen Metals Scottish subsidfrom £18.9 million to £20.4 iary) compared with a debit of million. Earnings per share are £65,000 last time.

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#### Australia returning to favour with investors

By Angela Mackay

The Australian stock market is once again becoming popular with British institutions and fund managers after a year of disasters which rocked investors' confidence.

Sizeable buying orders have brokers in London this week against a background of optimism towards global stock markets - as fund managers reshape their portfolios after running down the Australian component during the past 12 Skase: chief of troubled Ointex months.

However, as in Britain. share shortages are hampering investors and driving up

Blue-chip industrials have been popular with a wide range of British buyers, along with The News Corporation and Rothmans.

A fund manager said: "There is a feeling now that the worst is over. A lot of strong, well-managed Austra-lian companies have been undervalued in the backwash

Sydney (AP-Dow Jones) — Australia's banks are forecast

rates in the next month after

declines in interest rates in the

domestic market. Analysts say

that the big banks will follow

National Australia's move

yesterday in lowering its

benchmark lending rate from

Other big banks still charge

their best corporate customers

20.50 per cent. Rates climbed

to that level last September

20.50 to 20.25 per cent.



adne and the Hooker Corpora-

While British and US stock markets have been touching new highs daily, the Austra-lian All-Ordinaries index, at 1,710.8, remains 600 points below its record of 2,312.4 touched in September, 1987 implying that it lags behind rival exchanges.

In 1989, according to Morgan Stanley Capital International's world stock market indices, Australia was one of

Bank cuts benchmark rate

because the government had

been tightening monetary pol-

attempt to dampen demand in

the economy. But as signs

continue to emerge of a slow-

ing in the economy, credit markets are rallying in

anticipation of an easing in

90-day bank bills to about 17.55 per cent from about 18

This has pushed the yield on

monetary policy.

to cut their corporate lending icy since April, 1988 in an

cent rise in Australian dollar terms, compared with 30.2 per cent for West Germany, 28.6 per cent in Britain, 24.6 per cent in the US and 37.4 per cent in Singapore. On the upside, the FT-Actuaries World Indices toports that Australia and New Zealand are the highest yielding markets at the moment with a gross dividend yield of

that exchange controls, far

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Some state enterprises need

The rich and the successful

capital flight.

5.23. This week, the All-Ordinaries index has climbed from 1,654.7 to 1,710.8. A stable Australian dollar and the perception that interest rates will start to fall

before the Federal election this year have also helped to swing sentiment. If rates edge down too sharply, it could make the Australian dollar vulnerable.

However, a lower dollar would, in turn, increase the offshore receivables of commodity-based companies.

Some analysts point to an expected improvement in the gold market this year as another reason to look again of Bond, Qintex (headed by the worst performers with the at the proliferation of Austra-Mr Christopher Skase), Arimarket showing an 11.8 per lian gold-mining companies.

market participants and an-

Mr Haydn Park, a spokes-

man for National Australia,

said that Friday's move was in

alvsts believe it soon will.

#### **DTI** backs drive to use better computers

By Nick Nuttall

The Department of Trade and Industry is backing a new scheme to transfer neural networks - computer processwork more like the human brain - out of the nation's laboratories and into industry and commerce.

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The project, code named "Linnet" (Learning and Insight into Neural Networks), aims to bridge the gap between researchers and companies keen to exploit the next generation of computer science. -

"Neural nets" are expected to revolutionize the processing speeds and capabilities of everything from telecommunications, banking, trading systems and sales predictions to robotics, share portfolio management and industrial quality control.

The scheme is hoping to attract 24 members before its March 1 launch date. It will be administered by the research arm of Logica, of Cambridge, SD Scion, of Camberley, and University College London (UCL).

Logica's Mr Chifton Hughes said groups to have shown interest in the programme include the Post Office, British Gas and the Civil Aviation Authority.

The DTI will disclose the amount of Government funding for the scheme in March, but the annual charge to members is £15,000. Enquiries: Mr Clifton

Hughes, Logica, Betjeman House, 104 Hills Road, Cam-bridge, CB2 1LQ, Tel: 0223-66343.

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#### per cent a mouth ago. Al-though the central bank has Taking a global view

The Times has introduced a new reader service - a series of stock market indices that allow investors to assess the nerformance of various world markets on a comparable basis. The Morgan Stanley Capital International series, created in 1968 as the Capital International Indices, is the recognized international stan-dard, published in business newspapers around the world. The Times will publish the indices daily, expressing the changes over the previous day and previous year in terms of sterling, United States dollars

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response to declines in short-term rates. He predicted that other banks will lower their prime lending rates within the next 10 days or so.

The bank's economists forecast that monetary policy will be eased sometime next WORLD MARKET INDICES

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also appear to be having

At Sears, which spans

Selfridges, Olympus sports-

wear and footwear, Mr Geof-

frey Maitland Smith, the

chairman, said: "In the last

two weeks before Christmas,

our sales overall were very

strong. There was a tendency

for buying of sensible rather

not leave him enough time to fill the top job. He is staying as

capital ratios. He said: "I'm in

on board

at Norfolk

Norfolk Capital, the hotel group, has had a full account from Mr Tony Good, a direc-

tor, regarding his knowledge

of the proposals of Balmoral

International Hotels. The directors have accepted his

account and the issue of his

Norfolk is under attack

from Balmoral's Mr Peter

Tyrie, who has suggested that Balmoral, which has a 13.8 per

cent stake in Norfolk, runs the business. The Norfolk board

There has been controversy

over the position of Mr Good, who has a small stake in Norfolk. When Mr Tyrie

launched his attack, sources

close to Balmoral suggested he

had Mr Good's backing.

has rejected the plan.

resignation does not arise.

relatively unexciting sales.

The drop in trade pre-

as hard furnishing, have not to the beginning of December implies a volume rise of at

were up in value by only 1.6

But the last six days before

The pre-Christmas week

Netting out inflation implies a brought in £38 million but in pointed to a marked uplift in good."

per cent, well below the six-

High street enjoys a late

rise in sales at Christmas

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

viously felt right along the as the stores started their

John Lewis department stores increase on annual compari-

returns which in 18 weeks up son was 5.3 per cent which

Pitman stays on as Lloyds chief

million went through the tills

This was despite shortfalls in some big ticket sectors with

declines in sales of upholstery

and decorative furniture (37

per cent), carpets (16 per cent),

cabinet and patio furniture (25

per cent) and fitted kitchens

with bedroom furniture (near-

First reports coming in to

Staying: Brian Pitman, chief executive, and (below) John Dawson, who steps down as deputy

The line of succession at at 60. The extension is open- City. He is only two years

Lloyds Bank has been thrown ended, but sources expected younger than Mr Pitman, and into doubt after Mr Brian him to stay for at least two the bank decided this would

Speculation flared in the

ssor. Some commentat-

City about Mr Pitman's new

The move has forced Mr
John Dawson, deputy chief
executive and the man expected to succeed Mr Pitman,
to step down.

Lloyds' board said it had

Successor. Some commentations or predict a struggle at the top between Mr David Pirrie, the head of retail banking, and Mr
Panl Brown, the head of private banking and a former

Lloyds' board said it had

Mr Pitman will comment to refine the bank's financial services operations, including its overseas operations. He promised further disposals to help strengthen the bank's manager of Third World debt.

Mr Dawson is well-re-

long-term potential for grow-

Mr Hamadeh said he had

Hartwell's main suppliers.

There was no mention at all

But a spokesman for Ford

have to say our franchise is

spected within the bank but the middle of something here failed to make a notable and I am staying on to

more years.

its normal policy of retirement impression in public or in the

Work starts | Jameel confident | Good stays

over car franchises

By Martin Waller

The Jameel Group, the Saudi welcome having those sites."

Arabian concern offering £151 Mr Peter Huggins, chairman

million for Hartwell, the mo- of Hartwell, said: "Given the

in Oxford, has said it does not ing and developing the newly-

expect to lose any franchises enlarged business, we believe

with the big manufacturers if this bid seriously undervalues its hostile bid succeeds.

this bid seriously undervalues Hartwell." The Hartwell price

But Mr Samir Hamadeh, a fell 4p to 139p, 3p above the

would not be "the end of the spoken personally to four of

Asked if Jameel could use by them that franchises would

its links with Toyota, the have to be disposed of There Japanese car maker, to distrib-ute its product in this country termination."

bid is successful, he said: "It's Motor Company said: "We

facturers in the world would strictly non-transferable."

the Retail Consortium, trade than frivolous items. The

body for most retailers, also clearance sales are also very

least 1 per cent.

worth the wait.

done well.

The start of the post-Christ-

mas clearance sales has also

been encouraging, although some "big ticket" items, such

The picture of high street

reports from other retailers.

the same week the year before.

trading fortunes emerges from month estimate target of 5 per the results announced by the cent. It implies a volume

The John Lewis department Stores saw their first jump in 23, saw "a remarkable week's

pre-Christmas trading in the trade", said Mr Bryan O'Cali-

when there was a value rise of department stores. Sales were

Looking to the future.

Pitman, the chief executive, decided to stay on beyond his planned retirement in 1991

Lloyds' beard said it had asked Mr Pitman, aged 58, to stay on to complete the bank's

restructuring in opposition to

tor distributor which is based

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(Neil Bennett writes).

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Construction of a £7 million. 8,350 square metre cargo terminal at Belfast Inter-

national Airport, Aldergove,

It will be the first airport in

Ireland to be equipped with a

computerized customs clear-

in the year to end-September.

on turnover up 16 per cent at

£6.91 million. Earnings rise 69

Goldman Sachs and Morgan Stanley have been awarded the mandate to be joint lead underwriters of the World Bank's planned \$1.5 billion (£920 million) of global bonds

API advances

Abbey Panels Investments raised pre-tax profits to £1.48 million (£908,000) in the year to September. Earnings rose 37.7p (22,4p) and the final dividend is 2p (1.8p).

No referral

Allied-Lyons' \$325 million offer for Dunkin' Donuts, the US food group, will not be referred to the Monopolies

Shareholders in Kingfisher, the retail group bidding £568 million for Dixons, have passed the special resolution ap-

proving the offer for Dixon. Mr Geoff Mulcahy, King-fisher's chief executive, told turn around." shareholders at yesterday's and generous to Dixons' shareholders in the light of our Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Trade cahy succeeds him.

Dixons' business. I cannot should be referred to the emphasis enough that we are Monopolies Commission. not going to overpay for a business which cries out for a new management approach and is going to require considerable effort on our part to

The battle for Dixons is due extraordinary meeting: "Our to enter a new phase next week offer of 120p in cash is serious as the Office of Fair Trading

Kingfisher offer approved

Dixons is also expected to announce its interim results and give a profit forecast for the year. Mr Nick Bubb, of Morgan Stanley, is looking for £55 million for the full year.

Yesterday's meeting was the last to be chaired by Sir Kenneth Durham, who steps makes its recommendation to down this month. Mr Mul-

EC and US at loggerheads in Gatt talks over world trade plans

# Farm subsidies battle rages on

From A Correspondent

The American and European Community representatives to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade continued to clash over their plans to liberalize world farm trade at the start of a meeting of ministers in Florida, aimed at solving

The Uruguay Round of Gatt ends this year with the last ministerial meeting due on December 9. Trade sources suggest the current talks in Florida would mark the start of "a new harder edge to

Mr Clayton Yentter, the US agri-culture secretary and Mr Ray Mac-Sharry, EC farm commissioner, backed this view after attacking each other's plans. While Mr MacSharry insisted the ECs Common Agriculture Policy (CAP), required retention of some government Supports to farmers and export subsidies, Mr Yeutter said nothing was sacrosanct and trade distorting government sup-Ports should be chiminated. The two

ministers have taken part in informal talks with their Japanese, Australian and Canadian counterparts, covering food safety, food security and environmental

Of the latter three members, Japan is most closely aligned to the EC, particularly on subsidies, while Australia and Canada - leaders of the Cairns group want to see subsidies and supports

abolished. In the latest Gatt talks, the US has proposed eliminating export subsidies and internal supports over a five to 10ear period. It wants measures such as levies and quotas, like those imposed by the EC, to be converted to tariffs.

The EC accepts a version of the US proposal, but has countered with a controversial idea called "rebalancing", through which it can impose duties on products now free of duties, most of which are imported from the US.

Defending subsidies, Mr McSharry said: "We are supporting 10 million farmers in the EC...and maintain

market." He added the US should eliminate deficiency payments — the core of its income-support for farmers — if it wanted the EC to cut its own payments.

But Mr Yeutter said the US would not "unilaterally disarm in deficiency payments or anything else", since negotia-tions to narrow differences were underway and those supports would be used as bargaining chips. He said: "The EC is implying the US position is to do away with all supports . . . . our purpose is to rid the world of only trade distortive subsidies. We are prepared to alter some of our programmes, but the EC is unwilling Rebalancing is not trade

liberalization, it is trade protectionism." But Mr McSharry said the US deficiency payment system distorted world trade. The two side also disagree on Japan's proposal that it be allowed to maintain subsidies for rice growers and retain a ban on rice imports, with the EC siding with Japan.

#### Former BA manager for Sabena **Airlines**

By Philip Pangalos

Sales at Christmas came late volume increase of just above the shortened trading week sales in the last week before to the high street but were 4 per cent. the shortened trading week sales in the last week before after Christmas, another £20 Mr John Story, previously general manager for British The retailers which are Airways in Africa, has being suffering are those specializing high street was reflected in the clearance sales. The value in the sectors where there is appointed marketing director of Sabena World Airlines, the little buying - furniture and the bigger domestic electrical European carrier.

SWA was formed last month as a joint venture between Sabena, the Belgian national carrier, British Airways and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines. Sabena controls 60 per cent, BA and KLM each

have 20 per cent. Mr Storey will immediately start developing expansion plans for the airline's "Eurohub" system based on Brussels Zaventem airport. The aim is to build up the same day "round trip" market.

Sabena aims to build up its European routes fleet from 19 Boeing 737s to around 40, and in April is opening new routes from Brussels to Budapest, Hamburg and Warsaw.

Between now and 1995, the company expects to take on 3,000 staff - from pilots to baggage handlers. SWA expected European air traffic to treble, with European destinations expected to rise from 49 to 75.

Mr Story started with BA in 1961 as a commercial trainee and has held a number of senior management posts.

In 1985, he joined British Caledonian as executive vicepresident, North America, where he was responsible for commercial, operational and administrative activities associated with the trans-Atlantic

#### Blackman is named as **CEGB** head

By A Correspondent

Mr Gil Blackman is to be chairman of the Central Electricity Generating Board for the last three months before privatization. He has been deputy chairman since

This follows the resignation last month of Lord Marshall of Goring in protest at the Government's decision not to expand its nuclear power programme.

Lord Marshall was also to have become chairman of the new company, National Power, for whom a head has yet to be named.

Mr Blackman's appointment, announced by Mr John Wakeham, the Energy Secretary, was expected and is seen as that of an overnight

# Stake buying will keep water sector boiling

tion is over. Nicholas Ridley, the former Environment Secretary, Michael Howard, the minister who piloted the Water Bill, and Patrick Brown, the key civil servant, have moved on to other things. But a new phase of manoeuvring in the water industry is only just beginning. Far from being a dull utility sector, the new water section of the Stock Exchange list is likely to be in ferment.

The quick action by Compagnie Lyonnaise des Eaux, the second biggest French water group, to gain strategic stakes in two of the privatized groups -Anglian and Wessex — was but the first harbinger of things to come. More strategic stakes are likely to emerge as the privatized groups sort out their share registers and the implications of buying during confused dealings in the early days and the holidays are added

The privatized groups have five years grace before strategic stakes of up to 15 per cent can be added to without the Environment Secretary's permission. But that will not stop a series of manoeuvrings within the sector in a three-way game between the newly-freed water and sewerage groups, the three French groups and those old private statutory water companies that have not already been taken over by the French or by Biwater, the privatelyowned water engineering company.

There has been a virtual embargo on bids for the statutory companies for about a year. This was at first informal -during the passage of the Water Bill. It was belatedly strengthened last January 11 by the Ridley rules, which ensured that any mergers between substantial water suppliers would go to the Mergers and Monopolies Commission.

That did not stop three private companies in north and west London proposing a merger to form Three Valleys Water. But others have waited until privatization and until the private companies had their price regimes fixed. "K" factors set by the Environment Department may not be finally fixed and announced for several weeks.

nce that happens, most of the remaining non-French owned companies will need to raise fresh share capital, opening a new season for deals.

Whitehall seems to have woken up to this, as ever, belatedly. Yesterday, the Department of Trade referred two strategic stakes built up after the Ridley rules to the MMC - on the last day available under the Water Act.

Southern Water's 25 per cent stake in Mid Sussex Water may seem an odd candidate since Saur (water subsidiary of Bouygues, the French construction group) controls a majority of the shares. But Southern's holding is enough to block Mid Sussex from converting from under the Act, which it will need to do

Southern has similar blocking stakes in other statutory companies in its area controlled by Saur or Compagnie Générale des Eaux, having been unable to compete effectively with French bids before privatization.

Evidently, these stakes lock the French and Southern into a stand-off that invites some kind of closer relationship.

lready Saur has formed a joint venture with Southern to bid for local authority waste disposal contracts. It has a similar deal with Welsh Water, having built a strategic holding in a private water company in the Welsh Water area.

There is similar scope for deals elsewhere, notably in Wessex, where Générale and Lyonnaise own strategic stakes in Bristol Water, as well as in the Anglian, Northumbrian and Severn Trent areas.

One evident possibility is for French companies to swap strategic stakes - or later wholly-owned companies - for big minority stakes or special deals with the

former authorities.

The referral of Générale's holding in Mid Kent, where a 29 per cent stake gives great leverage over future financing, raises two other issues. Générale could swap its stake with Saur, which has a blocking holding in the proposed Three Valleys company, which would otherwise fall under Générale's control.

Mid Kent, moreover, is one of the largest and most progressive remaining independent private water companies and therefore of great interest to Ian Byatt, the director general of water services, who has a duty to maintain enough independents to promote efficiency through the concept of "competition by comparison".

This duty gives another unintended advantage to the French companies, which had a free run in building up their positions before privatization.

There are only 10 sewerage companies - the privatized former authorities - so that any mergers between them would cut "competition by comparison" much more severely than a takeover of a former authority by a French group which only has interests among about 25 different water suppli-

As yet, this corporate activity seems to account for little of the 25 per cent rise in the fully-paid value of privatized water shares since flotation. Welsh Water, which has a unique permanent golden share, is well up with the pack. Thus far, the partly-paid stock is enjoying another exciting life as a highly geared way into the ups and downs of a particularly volatile stock market. The sector is likely to stay as lively financially as it will remain politically controversial.

Graham Searjeant

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WALL STREET

Dow Jones industrial average selling hit blue chips, fatures was down 9 points at 2,787.88 traders reported. Selling also in mid-morning dealings and related to President declining shares outnumbered Gorbachov's caucellation of rises by almost two to one. January political meetings.
Selective buying pulled shares back from their sharply lower rise in US employment raised

Mr Ken Ducey, a senior the Federal Reserve.

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# Speculation on Swiss buying lifts Cadbury Schweppes

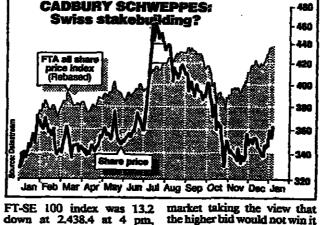
Talk of stake-building by the Swiss sent the shares of Cadbary Schweppes, the soft drinks and confectionery group, climbing 10p to 364p.

The speculators are hoping that Cadbury, an old takeover favourite, will eventually suffer the same fate as Rowntree which was taken over a couple of years ago by Nestlé, the Swiss food group. This latest burst of speculative buying was initiated on the traded options market where dealers reported heavy call business for the longer dated series like the August 300p. A total of 2,000 contracts were traded, equivalent to 2 million shares. Most of the business was ducted by Swiss Bank Corporation, which was said to have been involved in the early stages of the Rowntree bid. Rival broker James Capel was also paying for the call but, on trading grounds alone, it only rates the shares as a "weak hold."

The activity in the options market boiled over into the main market where several short positions among market-makers were aggravated. This also helped to drive the

General Cinema of the US continues to hold a 17 per cent stake in Cadbury but it does not appear inclined to make a full bid. However, its stake levels, closing virtually unchanged. would provide a suitable springboard for someone else to make an offer.

The rest of the equity market spent a lacklustre day with prices continuing to lose ground on sporadic selling and general lack of interest. An opening fall on Wall Street in the wake of the US jobless figures, which were much in line with expectations, did group's true value. Lovell little to help sentiment. The jumped 14p to 244p with the



down at 2,438.4 at 4 pm, having hit its all-time high of 2,466.2 on Wednesday. The FT index of 30 shares was 16.1 down at 1.941.2.

control. Persistent talk about a big rights issue continued to take its toll on the insurance But selling pressure re- composites which have been

Speculation that Hanson may be about to sell its 49 per cent stake in Newmont Mining of the US is intensifying. Dealers have been reporting heavy support for the shares from the US—which may account for the sharp increase in turnover recently. A further 4 million shares were traded yesterday, bringing the total this week to almost 25 million. The price slipped 1p to 233p - just 9p short of its peak.

mained light and, despite the mark-down, it looks as if market-makers are still feeling the squeeze in certain areas. Government securities failed to stir from overnight

Higgs and Hill expressed disappointment with the increased terms from YJ Lovell, losing an early lead to finish 11p lower 448p. Lovell has raised its terms from 405p to 470p a share, placing a pricetag on the company of £160 million. Higgs and Hill has rejected the offer, claiming that it does not reflect the

chased higher in recent weeks Union fell 10p to 497p, Gen eral Accident 15p to £11.85, Royal Insurance 7p to 536p and San Alliance 7p to 530p. Only Guardian Royal Ex-

change was able to make any headway, reversing a 4p fall to close ip better at 246p. The recently-privatized water companies ran into

further nervous selling with investors taking profits after their recent heady gains. Sentiment was also clouded by the Government's decision to take a closer look at competition within the industry. Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Trade

Mid Kent Water and Mid Sussex Water to the Monopo lies Commission. Compagnie Générale des Eaux holds 29 per cent of Mid Kent, while Southern Water has acquired 25 per cent of Mid Sussex.

Falls were seen in Anglian
2p to 161p, Northumbrian 6½p to 161p, Northumbrian 6½p to 171p, North West 4½p to 158p, Severa Trent, 3½p to 150p, Southern, 6p to 153p, South West, 6p to 168p, Thames, 6p to 159p, Welsh, 5p to 158p, Wessex, 7p to 168p and Yorkshire, 9p to 167p. The water package made up of 1,000 assorted shares, tumbled £67 to £1,578.

Amersham, the high-tech-

nology diagnostics group, touched 400p before finishing 20p better at 399p on revived speculative buying. The group was the first company floated off as part of the Government's privatization programme but its fortunes in recent years have taken a turn for the worst with profits on the slide. In the past, its name has been linked with Fisons which is believed to be on the look-out for suitable acquisitions. Fisons eased 2p to

Polly Peck, the fruit package ing and electronics group and one of the Tempus selections for 1990, continued to make headway, climbing 6p to 428p. Hartwells, the Ford and

Rover main dealer, ran into profit-taking, falling 4p to 139p following the rejection of the £151.3 million bid from the Jaleel Group, the privately-owned Saudi Arabian company. Jaieel, controlled by Mr Abdul Latif Jameel, one of the richest men in Saudi Arabia, already speaks for 22 per cent of the shares.

Michael Clark

#### Concern over Gorbachov hits Nikkei

Mr Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, had cancelled all January meetings with foreign officials to concentrate on domestic events sent the Tokyo index tumbling by as much as 622.37 points in midafternoon, but prices partly regained losses by the close. Mr Tadashi Kawakami, a

202.99 on Thursday.

Brokers said that the reports about Mr Gorbachov sent investors scrambling to sell, with institutions the largest

Mr Ross Rowbury, a broker

traffic. The Nikkei index tumbled 438.12 points (or 1.13 per cent) to 38,274.76 after falling would disappear."

some footing, everything that doesn't understand and it hit the market had been buying the market at the same time would disappear."

An unconfirmed report that there may be a change in banking account rules to allow losses from bond trading to be made up through sales of equities also affected prices. But a spokesman for the at Sanyo Securities, said: "The finance ministry denied any senior trader at Merrill Lynch, market has moved up so much changes in rules. A broker at a million shares compared with said: "The market has lost its on the detente theme that if Japanese house said: "The leadership now. It's one-way Mr Gorbachov were to lose market doesn't like things it

Brokers said that the reports, not carried by local news services until the afternoon here, further exasperated tensions before the Japanese general elections which are expected on February 18. 400 during Thursday's half-

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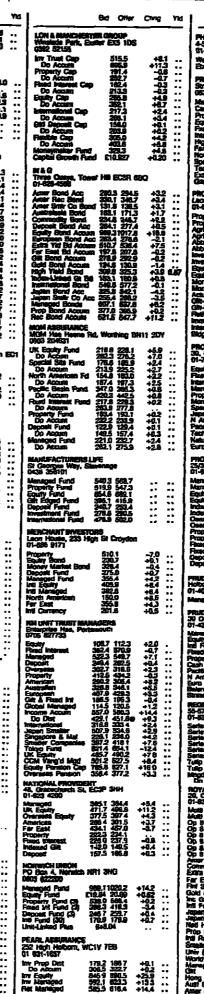
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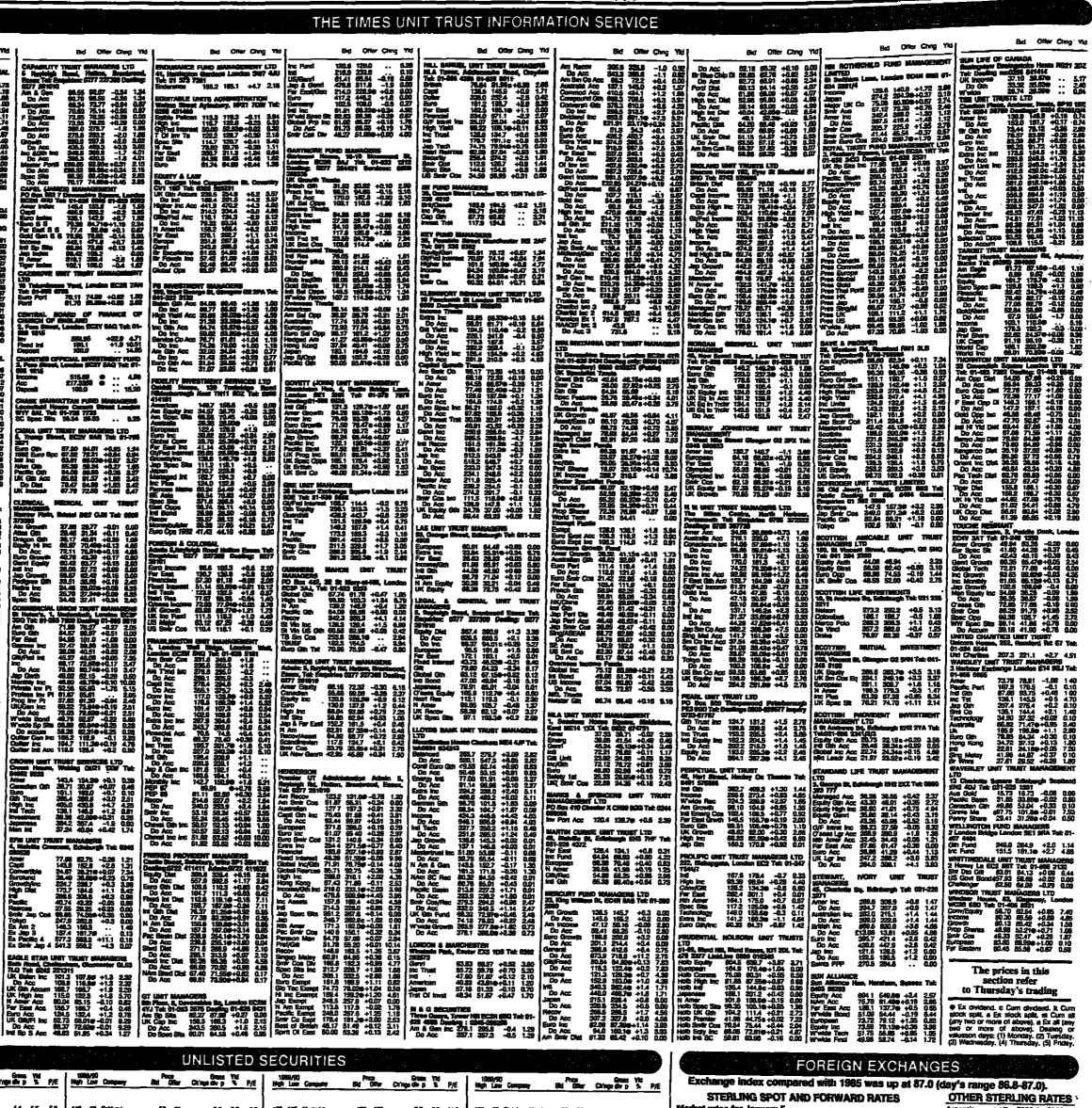
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#### Investment trusts outpace the competition

Investment trusts easily topped the performance tables in the 1980s, outstripping all other savings products. Over 10 years, an investment of £100 would have grown to £854 in an investment trust, against £223 in a building society, £571 in a pension find and £654 in a unit trust.

Regular savers, who put £30 a month towards an investment trust, would now hold £11,376 on average, compared with just over £8,500 in the best performing endowment

The Association of Investment Trust Companies puts the success down to lower running costs, a policy of overseas investment, and a narrowing of the traditional discount on trusts.

Mr Philip Chappell, adviser to the AITC, said he hoped many more consumers would turn to investment trusts during the 1990s. We have demonstrated

that we can significantly outperform the competition. Performance is more important than looks, and the record of investment trusts speaks for itself," he added.

Jon Ashworth reviews some of the better performers of last year

# Life companies turn in healthy 1989 figures

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(marketing and sales), said

personal pensions were still

premiums rise 16 per cent to £315 million. Ordinary life

premiums fell from £151 mil-

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Sun Alliance saw new UK

growing in popularity.

As the New Year picks up speed, life assurance companies have started unveiling their new business and bonus figures for 1989,

One of the more successful layers last year was Standard Life, whose new annual premium business rose 26 per cent to £330 million. This was a modest increase on the previous year but the real success was in single premium business, which rocketed 136 per cent to £992 million.

The weak state of the housing market took its toll of mortgage endowment business, which slumped 30 per cent to £100 million. The best growth was in personal pensions. These were responsible for the huge new business rises the year before.

Annual premiums for in-Single premiums advanced 65 per cent to £254 million. Mr Tom King, general manager (marketing) at Standard Life, said 1989 had been "outstanding by any yardstick". Scottish Widows saw new

LIFE PENSION PREMIUMS

annual life and pensions pre- Attrill, general manager dividual pensions were up 135 miums advance a modest 9 per cent to £183 million. per cent to £202 million. Single premiums were up 73 per cent to £592 million.

The society has never been heavily dependent on the endowment house purchase market, so it was able to shrug off the fall in sales. Mr Frank last year reflecting, it said, the

savings market.

The society was also among the first to announce its reversionary bonus rates for 1989. On ordinary life policies, it is to pay a bonus of 3.5 per cent per annum of the sum assured, together with 7.5 per cent of the existing annual bonuses. For individual pensions, the bonus is 3.5 per cent of the guaranteed basic sum plus 7.75 per cent of existing

Clerical Medical has increased its terminal bonus on life policies with terms greater than 12 years, while the bonus on those with shorter terms remains unchanged.

Guardian Royal Exchange announced unchanged reversionary bonus rates, and a slight rise in terminal bonuses A typical 25-year endowment with a £30 monthly premium and a total £9,000 outlay would have grown to £47,935 by January 1. It would have been split between £8,383 in sum assured, annual bonus £14,382, and £25,170 as a

#### Thai industry lifts Abtrust into top slot a second time

A boom in Thailand's in- authorized by the Department 1987, has tripled the value of dustry helped push Abtrust's of Trade and Industry, earlier units since then. Far East Emerging Economies this year, we increased our unit trust into top position for exposure. the second year in a row. It more than doubled investors' money in 1989, leading the pack of Smaller Asian funds which have strengthened their

grip on the unit trust league. An investment of £1,000 in January 1989 would have grown to £2,057 by the end of the year, offer to bid, according to Micropal. The fund favours the growing economies of Taiwan, Korea and especially Thailand.

Mr Hugh Young, the fund manager, said he favoured quality stocks in areas of high economic growth. "The strategy is simple and has remained largely unchanged since last year. We were always bullish on Thailand and when the market was

Mr Chris Poll, managing director of Micropal, said: "This is the first time an individual trust has topped our league tables more than once and to do it in successive years further highlights the

unique achievement." Thailand presently accounts for 43 per cent of the fund's portfolio, followed by Singapore and Malaysia, with a total 10.5 per cent. Hong Kong makes up 9.3 per cent and 7.9 per cent is invested in Taiwan. A year ago, Australia and New Zealand were the fa-

voured regions, making up nearly a quarter of the portfolio. Thailand made up 22 per cent, followed by Korea

with 17 per cent. The fund, launched in April

Top performer of the Eighties was Fidelity Special Situations, which gained 1,343 per cent, offer to bid. It was followed by MIM Britannia Japan Performance, GT Japan and General and Midland Japan Growth.

 Star investment trust performer of the decade was Capital Gearing, which would have turned £100 into an impressive £2,624 over 10 years. It was followed by Drayton Far East, with a gain of 1619 per cent, and Fleming Japanese, which gained 1607 per cent. Even the worstperformer, Fulcrum Income Shares, showed a return of 233 per cent - in line with a building society ordinary

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#### Finance industry refuses Nacab aid to advise debtors

By Rodney Hobson

More than twice as many people are approaching Citizens' Advice Bureaux with consumer and debt inquiries yet the finance industry is reluctant to fund effective advice services, according to a report published by the Nat-ional Association of CABs.

Half the 117 finance companies, responding to a survey, said categorically that they were not willing to assist the development of the Nacab's Money Advice Service in the near future.

Nacab has had a 120 per cent increase in money queries over the past decade, reaching 1.4 million in the past year. It adds: "We urgently re-

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year to employ and accommodate one full-time worker. The National Consumer Council estimates a nationwide service could amount to £80 million a year." The Nacab says it sought government funding in June.

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It has not yet received a response but the Government has indicated that responsibility for funding should lie with the private sector.

However, half the companies responding to a Nacab survey said they were not interested in providing funding, mainly because it was not seen as their responsibility to do so. Of those companies that had had dealings with advice agencies on debt problems, under half felt the ficial to them.

About three-quarters of the companies in the survey proand felt they had a social responsibility to do so. The Nacab said: "We are concerned that the funding of money advice is not seen by sections of the finance industry as part of this social responsibility."

A working party initiated by the Finance Houses Association and including advice agencies' representatives is due to report on providing for money advice.

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#### **FAMILY MONEY**

# Off-the-shelf unit trust sales break into Britain

America in mind when he launched The Savings where else but the US would one find a company which does for the investment world what Kelloggs has done for breakfast cereals?

Savings plans cannot be eaten but buying them should be no harder than picking a box of Rice Krispies off the shelf at the local supermarket. And rather like cereals, a quick glance at the packet should be enough to tell the buyer whether or not it suits his or her taste.

Mr Tann may have had this in mind when he set up The Savings Corporation in June last year. Not only did he want to introduce American-style convenience shopping to British investors but he sought to back it up with enough products to satisfy most needs. Sixmonths later, the company has 700 customers and a range of colourful unit trust plans to

show for its efforts. "We are trying to position ourselves as a small company, specializing in savings and making it easier for investors to pick their own level of aiming for capital growth. risk," said Mr Tann, the group

"The vast majority of consumers, perhaps 95 per cent of a unit trust Pep, along with a the adult population, has scheme called Architect which never even thought of a unit taps into the other plans.



with the riskier end of the

investment scale.' Some savers prefer to leave their money in a bank or building society. Others would like to take a more daring approach to investment, but are scared of plunging all the way into shares.

This is where The Savings Corporation steps in. Investors who want to keep their assets in cash can pick Harthe other end of the risk scale over for the last six months. lies Zenith, a fund of funds

Falling between them is a range of plans like Satellite, Windsor and Dimensions and

nities. There are two gilt funds, three UK funds and a City Reserve fund for cash

These may not be new, but the way in which they are packaged, is. For an investor looking for some stock market risk without losing all the safety of a building society, Dimensions could be the answer. For every £100 invested in the plan, £20 goes into cash, £20 into gilts, £40 into UK blue chips and £20 into overseas stock.

Architect takes things a step

further by allowing investors to vary the level of risk in stages. The first 40 per cent of the plan's length - say, four out of 10 years - focuses on high performance through the Zenith fund. The next four ears would see a shift to balanced growth under the Dimensions plan. After that, money would be moved into Windsor for steady returns for a year-and-a-half, and the cash bour, a money market fund a year-and-a-half, and the cash which pays a high interest. At safety of Harbour would take

Consumers may find themselves wondering how much they will have to pay for this kind of service. Most of the funds carry a 6 per cent bidoffer spread and a 1.5 per cent annual management charge, aps into the other plans. although this drops for cash. The plans are linked to 14 and gilt funds. Savers can

unit trust funds, which cover everything from Japan and the Far East to Global Opportu-between funds through a discount on the unit spread.

Marketing and administration are run from offices in Orpington, Kent, leaving City institutions to manage the funds. Kleinwort Benson runs the US, European and Japan funds, while Hambros Bank looks after the cash and gilt income funds. Other manrs include Hendersons. Midland Montagu and Whittingdale.

As a new company in a crowded market, The Savings Corporation cannot afford to rest on its laurels. If using colourful tags to sell products is part of the picture, backing up clients with good after-care service is even more important.

The larger unit trust companies no longer have to establish themselves in the market - names such as M & G, MIM Britannia and Save & Prosper are all instantly recognizable. But with less than 5 million unit holder accounts in a population of 55 million, there is room for an inventive niche player. "They have failed to bring in the man in the street," said Mr Tann-"We would like to be able to serve thousands of people with all the attention of the comer shop-keeper."

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#### Plastic debt cut as credit rates bite

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By Rodney Hobsen

High interest rates have, it seems, encouraged people to put their debts in order rather than run the risk of insolvency.

Even during the Christmas spending rush, credit card holders cut down their outstanding balances, the Finance Houses Association has said. The 45 association members account for 80 per cent of instalment credit outside banks and building societies.

Mr Michael Bliss, chairman of the Association's credit card group, said: "If con-sumers were simply strapped for cash thay would tend to take longer to pay off their credit card debts, so obviously many borrowers are exercis greater control over their disposable income."

The majority of cardbolders are paying off their debts over at most a three or four-month period, a trend the the association expects to see continue. Mr Neil Grant, association director, added: "Our experience is that people generally are borrowing less, which means they are probably tight for money. As well as having to grapple with sharply higher mortgage rates, some may also be concerned about job

Customers in the North and Scotland cut down on credit card spending by trading down to cheaper presents Scotland, with lower wages has been affected by the impact of the poli tax, imposed on people who formerly did not have to pay rates.

Borrowers have switched from credit cards to fixedterm hire purchase agreements repayable over periods up to 12 months. These are often interest-free or on low rates of interest as shops struggle to shift merchandise.

Mr Grant said: "So far we have been very successful in containing the level of bad debts on credit cards. But as the effects of higher interest rates take hold it would be unrealistic not to expect some increase in arrears over the coming months."

# BR masks fares hike with 'extras'

British Rail, in facing oppo- Mr Chris Green, director of tions apply such as use after opportunity to purchase sition to its planned 9 per cent Network SouthEast. "Annual 10am on weekdays but there is supplementary first class tickfare increases from February season tickets including complete freedom of choice at ets at £1 each. 4, is trying to cushion the blow by offering "extras" to those

A marketing campaign is under way to lure daily pas-sengers with Network Gold Cards but the hard sell is med at annual season ticket holders. Anyone purchasing a Network Gold Card autom cally gets reductions on leisure journeys. "The Network Gold Card is an attractive return for an annual investment," said

London Travelcards pur-chased at Network SouthEast stations are now automatically issued as Gold Cards.

"This means that in addi-tion to unlimited journeys on the regular route, tickets can be bought at one third off the normal leisure fare." Fares covered by the sch

include standard singles, cheap day returns, standard returns and Network Awaybreaks. Normal restric- ting the privileges and the

Cashing in on the family market, the "Gold" holders can also obtain one-day Travelcards cheaper and on BR journeys four children can travel with a card carrying adult for £1 each. Commuter with Gold Card can buy a £1 "Partners Card".

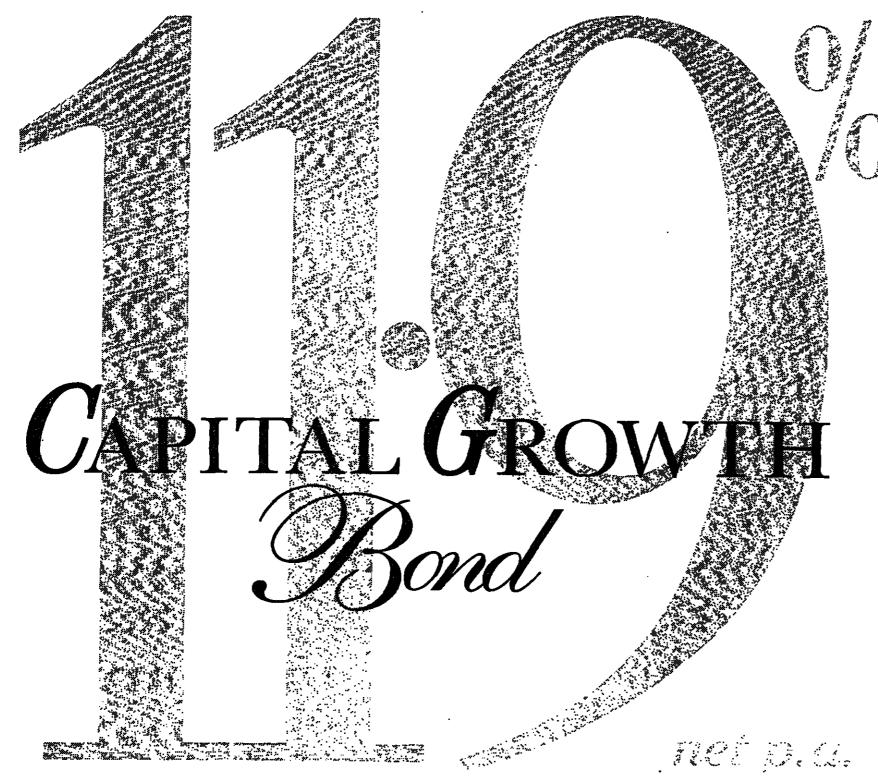
Additions to the scheme include three adults travelling

passenger groups say they would rather see an end to overcrowding, and cleaner trains, especially on services into Waterloo, London Bridge and Victoria. Next month Holborn Via-

duct will close and trains will be diverted to Blackfriars because of the re-routing of the Thameslink line to include a new St Paul's station.

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#### **FAMILY MONEY**

Michael Goodman reports on the prognosis for the owner-occupier over the coming year

# Recovery forecast for house prices in market awash with loan funds

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Mr Gary Marsh finality cannot be applied to the housing market, a subject close to the hearts of many

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weary home owners. In the short term it has been dead, or scarcely breathing. 1990 and say 'that's the year south of a line from the we should have bought'." Humber to the Wash as the the ending of double tax relief In London suburbs properties are selling for 25-30 per cent less than asking prices.

before the post-Budget panic in mortgage repayments.

There have been two or way. Buyers' moans about housing slumps in the past 20 greedy vendors gazumping years, in 1974-5 and 1981-2, have given way to moans by sellers about "gazundering", as impertment or canny buyects to see come conditions to negotiate prices down between offer and exchange of contracts.

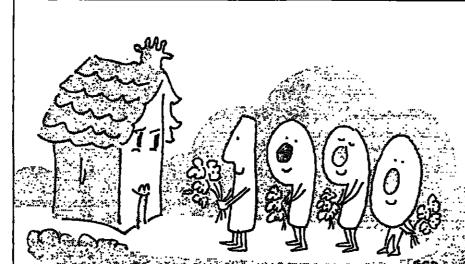
If we are to believe the Halifax Building Society, the retail price rise of 25 per cent. housing market will come to This year, with inflation on

In the long run, we will all be life again. The revival may dead, said the currently uneven start this year in London

Mr Gary Marsh, head of planning and research at the Halifax, believes the market is not far off the turning point: Many home owners in a few years' time will look back on we should have bought'."

As the largest building socisharp rise in interest rates and ety and also as owner of a national estate agency chain, in August 1988 took their toll, the Halifax has a vested interest in reassuring home owners, particularly when many of them find an un-In many cases, prices are comfortably large percentage back to spring 1988 levels, of their income swallowed up

There have been two other both of which were followed by a strong recovery. In these slumps, house prices fell in ers take advantage of market real terms, even if they appeared to carry on rising in London and the South-east



course for 5 per cent, the same real fall in house prices would

This has already happened slowly in money terms. In where, predicts Mr Marsh, 1975, for example, house first signs of a recovery will appear. Prices will still decline then flatten out in the summer and start rising

turnover will have started to

In the Midlands the recovthe North, where the boom came later and the slump was delayed, prices will gently fall. Taking the UK as a whole, the Halifax expects house

gently by the autumn. By then prices to fall by no more than 10 per cent this coming year. It will be a good year for buyers in the South, and it may be an ery will follow later, and in easier one for vendors by the autumn. But in the North it might pay buyers to hesitate and sellers to be more realistic

in their asking prices. There is one crucial dif-

■ Visitors to the Boat Show ■ Skipton Building Society is in London next week will be launching a savings account to see a new affinity credit card give smaller savers a taste of from the Royal National Life- money market rates. Money boat Institution (RNLI). For Market Plus, available from each successful application. Monday, will pay 12 per cent the Royal Bank of Scotland net interest on balances of will donate £7,50 to the RNLL £2,500 or more. Withdrawals More than £175,000 has been are free with 90 days' notice. raised since the card was Tel 0756 700500. introduced in 1988.

Barclays is raising its Year has been unveiled by cheque guarantee limit from Guardian Royal Exchange. £50 to £100 for current ac- Stratagem, which is a unitcount customers from Mon- trust-only Pep, gives investors day. The higher limit is a tax-free way into GRE's available on a new version of the Barclay Connect card. Barclaycard can still be used to guarantee cheques of up to

ference between the present

housing slump and previous

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But as in most bazaars, the

Some cut-rate offers to new

borrowers have limited funds

on a "first come, first served"

basis. Fixed rate mortgages may be expensive to redeem,

while deferred interest "low

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■ It is now cheaper than ever to buy a home in London's | MANAGEMENT CONTROL Docklands thanks to an equity share scheme which slices up to 50 per cent off property values. Abbey National Homes and Fairclough Homes have introduced the scheme for properties at Cyclops Wharf, a waterside development on the Isle of Dogs.

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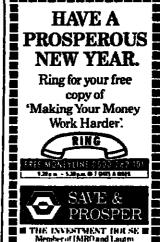
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A new Pep for the New growth equity and income funds. There is a 5 per cent initial charge, and a 1 per cent annual management fee. Tel



## Discreet rise of home insurance annual rates

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property. So policy holders in arriving at their insurance figure, should use the published recommended scale of rebuilding updated regularly by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), rather than by reference to a sale quote given to a neigh-

bour by a local estate agent. The Building Costs Information Service of the RICS uses four divisions for the UK - London boroughs and the Channel Islands, East Anglia, South-east England, and the rest of the UK which includes Wales, Scotland and

Northern Ireland. The latest rise in the re- ors' fees.

The New Year is a popular building costs is 11.03 per cent time for insurance companies to November. This is the to quietly apply higher cover percentage increase applied to rates that will take effect at the policies currently falling due.

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#### **GILT REVIEW**

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1970	1.176	857	1,080
1975	2,640	1.112	1,466
1980	10.256	1,729	2.154
1985	27.080	4.947	3.240
29 DEC '89	72.616	9.370	4.411

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#### **FAMILY MONEY**

# Looking at life from the top



for their liberated outlook. So Manu-Life's decision to appoint a woman managing director at Manufacturers Life Insurance Company UK, its life and pensions subsidiary, may cause a stir in some City dining rooms.

But thoughts of traditionalists choking over their port do not bother Mrs Jean Wood who will soon be responsible for 900 Manulife salesmen and administrative and clerical staff at its head office in Stevenage, Hertfordshire.

Mrs Wood accepts that as the first woman managing director of a life company in Britain she will be seen as something of a curiosity. But Manulite Group's parent company is Canadian with significant business throughout North America. Some of the liberal attitudes, fuelled by draconian equal opportunities legislation in the US in the early 1970s, appear to have been successfully imported to Britain.

Nearly 20 years later, anti-discrimination laws have etched themselves into well as a woman managing director, past senior female appointments have in-cluded a business administration manager, a reinsurance manager and a marketing director. But dark suits still vastly outnumber skirts.

Born in Scotland, Mrs Wood emigrated to Canada where she joined Manufacturers Life in 1974. "Women start making a name for themselves by having a speciality background in accountancy or law or development. People don't care if you're a Martian as long as you're an accountant. But it gets more difficult when you get into line gement where the question is how you do the job rather than what you do People ask, Will she survive? Will she cry? Will she get pregnant?"

Mrs Wood thinks role conditioning runs very deep even when men consider themselves liberated. Such attitudes probably generate as much stress for women managers as anything their career can throw at them. But 15 years of

Life insurance companies are not known ManuLife's corporate consciousness. As experience in all areas of the life assurance and pensions business trans-late into a useful weapon for fighting the "Will she survive?" brigade.

"Bailding up time service is very important and sometimes women forget this," said Mrs Wood. Her own "time serving" roles include the development of Manufacturers Life (Canada) Group's pensions fieldforce and managing the company's pensions administration.

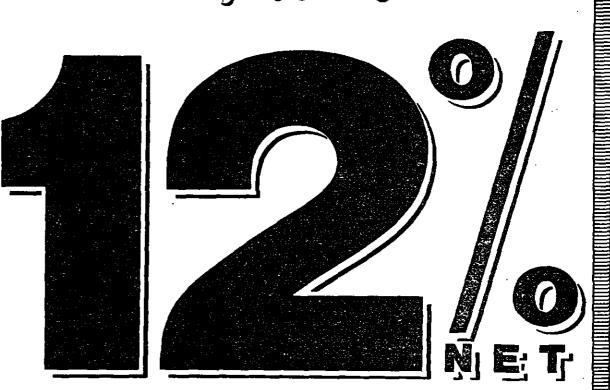
It is difficult for a high-powered woman to ignore discrimination against 4 women in working life. Mrs Wood sees an important part of her job as being "to examine all work practices and make sure there is no overt or covert dis-crimination. I think my being there has stamped out overt discrimination."

But her main concern as a managing director will be to make her company a commercial success and make a significant contribution to the MannLife Group. The fact that she happens to be a woman is important but incidental.

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# Trend spotting in antiques

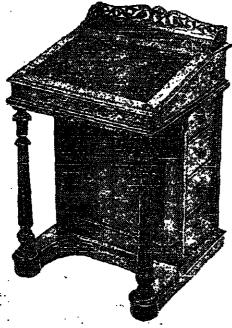
Small items, walnut furniture and maps will be among the best antique buys of 1990

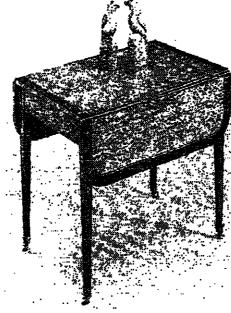
says Conal Gregory According to research by Gal-iup, more than 75 per cent of the public regards antiques as a good investment. After home improvements and a second home, antiques occupied joint third place with shares for popular investment. Pens and toys

Many of yesterday's household items are now very much sought after. Mr Duncan Chilcott of Bonham's Chelsea tips fountain pens, particularly pre-Second World War, and toys. A Parker Duofold Big Red, which cost £150 three years ago, makes £450 today. Toys took off in 1970, after the closure of the Binns Road factory which made Dinkey. Homby and Meccano models A toy saloon car of the mid 1950s sells for £60 today and even those from the late '60s make £15-£20. A pre-War set of seven camouflaged aero-planes, costing 50p then, makes £1,600-£2,000 today. Ship models look cheap.

Antique dolls are a buoyant market, particularly French and German makes. The 1890-1920 era is much in demand. Look for the character dolls of Germany and Jeameau factory in France. A bisque porcelain head with paperweight-style glass eyes and real or mohair wigs fetch good prices. In February a blonde doll with painted blue eyes, made in Germany in 1909, achieved a world record of £82,000 at Sotheby's when is less predictable. Articles two years ago, commands

Dolls





Small is always beautiful in antiques: The simple lines of a Regency rosewood Davenport exhibited by Hallidays of Dorchester-on-Thames at the Park Lane Antiques Fair would not look out of place in the same room as the earlier Sheraton period satinwood and kingwood crossbanded Pembroke table shown by WR Harvey at the same fair. Prices for these items have always held because they fit into the smaller rooms of flats today. But larger pieces such as oak sideboards are staging a comeback with the trend towards the country kitchen look beloved of interior designers

£21,000. The doll had lain forgotten in an attic until the owner, a nurse from Sussex, decided to have it valued.

While Steiff teddy bears have reached very high prices, good English dolls, like Merry-thought, are undervalued while plastic or celluloid dolls may be set to rise. Sport and rock 'n roll

Sporting memorabilia can be a good investment, particularly golf and cricket related. Look for pottery items and silver commemoratives. Boxing and tennis items have not reached the same levels, while racing watercolours look cheap.

Rock and roll memorabilia

Rolling Stones retain their value, but Phillips and Bonhams say that lesser pop stars may not be good long term investments.

Maps

Antique US maps and European town plans are tipped by Simon Pointer and The Map House, specialist dealers in Beauchamp Place, London.

Maps of Virginia, Maryland and Carolina of 1676 by Speed, which are decorative, costing about £500 five years ago, fetch £1,500 today. Look, too, for the Braun and Hogenberg first series of town plans from 1572. One of Hamburg, which cost £150 the previous auction level was related to the Beatles and £285 now. But Pointer gives a

warning against purchasing Australian or Japanese maps as demand is falling. Furniture

In furniture, walnut is particularly strong. A mid 18th-century tripod walnut table costing £105 in 1968 sells for more than £2,200 today, according to The Antique Collectors' Club of Woodbridge, Suffolk, which mon-itors prices. Chappell Antiques of Bakewell, Derbyshire, confirms the surge in prices. A fine Queen Anne walnut kneehole desk, which of six red walnut George II chairs on carbriole legs and

Oak has also seen a revival. Large sideboards, almost unsalcable a few years ago, now obtain good prices. Mahogany of good quality is tipped by many dealers with functional articles like wine coolers in demand. Michael Foster of Fulham Road, West London, recently offered a fine one of 1790 lead-lined, with slightly faded top, for £4,750.

**Porcelain** 

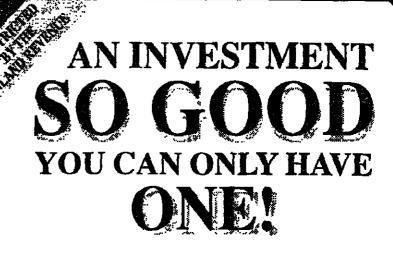
In porcelain, figures are hard to find, according to Andrew Dando of Bath, a dealer who has his lowest stock for 30 years. While Worcester is doing well, noticeably shell and feather subjects from the 1820s, landscapes are less strong. He advises that pottery prices have stood still since their dramatic rise in 1988.

Silver

On silver, French stock is showing well and English is enjoying a revival. In October Christie's New York sold a 17th century bowl by George Garthorne for £182,166, almost double the estimate. Last month Sotheby's secured a world record for silver with a pair of George II three-light candelabras by Charles Kandler of London which went for £940,000.

In more modest silver, look for small spoons, snuff boxes, wine labels and vinaigrettes. Good reading for these are Collecting Small Silverware by Stephen Helliwell (£19.95) and Jackson's English Goldsmiths and Their Marks, by Ian Pickford (£45).

• Good advice and a wide variety of antiques are on offer at two antiques fairs shortly: cost £14,000 a year ago, is the West London from Januselling for £20,000 now. A set ary 18-21 at the Kensington Town Hall and 70th Chelsea Antiques Fair from March 13pad feet made £6,000 a year 24 at Chelsea Old Town Hall.



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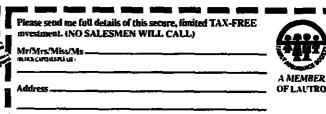
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#### Banks count the cost of £1bn student boycott

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They took their action even while the banks were considering participation, and the National Union of Students claims the banks' withdrawal just before Christmas was the

Meanwhile, Lloyds, one of three big banks that stayed out of the scheme at the outset. has confirmed that it picked up a number of student accounts moved from competitions that had agreed provisionally to take part.

The scheme, to supplement grants with loans from a company run by the banks, was announced in November.

The NUS immediately threatened to urge its members to boycott any banks that eventually participated. It

show of strength, encouraged some students to switch to Lloyds from banks intending to participate.

counts in one day. A complete boycott would have taken £1 Dillion worth of dusiness away from banks in the scheme and most of it would probably have gone to Lloyds.

Lloyds agrees it has gained other banks' student business but refuses to give the number of accounts. A spokesman said: "We would not wish it to be known. It is market-sensitive information. The transnumbers." But despite Lloyds' reticence, there were clearly

enough to be noticeable. The spokesman said Lloyds had stood apart from it on commercial grounds. Other asked student leaders and banks were also worried that it

would not make money.

In Scotland, where students have opposed the scheme o participate. more vigorously than else-About 100 students at where, the Clydesdale Bank Loughborough University in and the Bank of Scotland, Leicestershire shifted their ac- which had decided against participation, are known to have gained some accounts, dui figures are not ava

The company being formed to operate the scheme will be run by the Government instead of being owned and administered by the banks. Mr John MacGregor, the Education Secretary, has said the adminstration costs may be lower because the banks will

However, Mr Tim Walker, of the NUS, says he cannot see how the scheme will work because the Government has always regarded the banks' cooperation as crucial.

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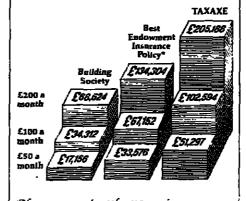
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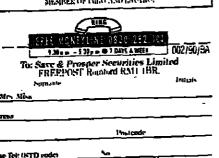
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# From Watergate to Wall Street

**David Brewerton** meets the lawver who went from looking for bodies in swamps to finding skeletons

in corporate cupboards — a journey from Mississippi to Washington

High above the Washington traffic, a block or two from the White House, a small quiet a large cluttered desk.

Terry Lenzner, a lawyer, has moved out of public service into corporate investigations - the man who traced the whereabouts of the Nixon

Those who would like to know more about his creden-tials but do not have the time gation work is still relatively

Lenzner maintains that the film is not actually based on him. But those who see the film one day and meet him the next might have their doubts.

It is easy to picture him as the young attorney, Alan entire area searched, every inch." The area is a Mississippi swamp, from where a car belonging to three civil rights workers has just been ecovered. Equally, they are determ-Lenzuer was just six weeks ined to make sure their own

out of law school and getting the feel of his desk in the Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, when he was sent to Mississippi.

Back in Washington, 25 having entire areas searched, "every inch." But no longer is swamp, but skeletons in corporate cupboards.

Lenzner heads The Investigative Group. a ousiness ethical problem." which has at its heart an enormous database, and a collections of individuals with

computers can tell you who lives where, which number on which street, who drives what man who helped change the car and probably their tennis face of US politics sits behind partner. There are Press cuttings from around the globe. from The Times to the most obscure newsletter.

Most of The Investigative Group's work is routine, little more than due diligence readministration's slush funds is quired in mergers and acuisitions, or gathering evidence for legal actions.

to read the transcripts of the new and largely untried in Watergate hearings, can take a Britain. Its cause advances short-cut and rent a video of only slowly, and is not helped Mississippi Burning. by illegal and hamfisted surveillance, such as the "bisyoung attorney depicted in the cuit tin bug" buried beneath a telephone pole outside the home of a Woolworth executive when the company was last involved in a takeover battle with Dixons.

Lenzner, and a handful of Ward, telling his more experi-enced sidekick: "I want the have made company inupmarket competitors who vestigations legitimate business in the United States, are well aware of the damage that can be done by hole-in-thecorner downmarket sleuths.

> operatives, a curious mixture of lawyers and journalists, do not step the wrong side of the ethical and legal divides.

"I worry about it all the time," said Lenzner, and the years later. Lenzner is still pots of pills on his desk suggest he is not kidding.

"My greatest nightmare is he looking for bodies in a that one of my investigators public record leaves no trace. will create a problem for the information if there is an

"Ethics" in the case of the private investigation, relate to legality, rather than privacy. inquiring minds and the abil- An individual put under the



exposed to view. The state of his finances, whether his property is mortgaged, the clubs to which he belongs, his brushes

with the law, whether he is

being sued.

But the surveillance will usually be done from a distance, from the megabytes of public records stored, legally and above board, on Lenzner's computers or those of the authorities to which there is legitimate public access.

"Most people are not aware they are being investigated," Lenzner claims. A peak at the The days of cigarette smoking, client. We do not seek trilby-hatted, trenchcoated private eyes are almost gone almost, but not quite.

Even companies such as Lenzner's have not totally abandoned interviews with friends and neighbours, tipity to think laterally. The spotlight on behalf of a client offs and paid contacts. believe he can make a million. New York of hijacking and mattress over the window.

The man who subportaed President Nixon: Terry Lenzuer, head of The Investigative Group will have much of his life Lenzner is already making if only he has a good idea. The headway in Europe. His commythology was that a young teenager, Barry Minkow, borpany was recently called in when a leading British comrowed his mother's carpet pany felt threatened by a cleaner and built a \$200 United States takeover artiste. million business in contract

predator resembled a set of encyclopeadia. It contained highly damaging material, all of it taken from public filings with the Securities and Ezchange Commission and other bodies. The takeover bid never came.

Rarely is Lenzner able to disclose the identities of his clients, but one recent case where Lenzner and his team saved a client tens of millions of dollars has been opened up to public view.

The investigation surrounded a company called ZZZZ Best, one of those all-American stories which inspire every taxi driver to

The accumulated file on the carpet cleaning before he was even old enough to vote. At the end of 1986 Minkow's company, ZZZZ Best, was floated on the New York Stock Exchange. And he used the strength of the shares to buy other businesses, Lenzner was called in by a banking house planning to finance one of Minkow's deals. What in-

terested Lenzner was not so much the state of Minkow's business, but who had bankrolled him in the first place. Lenzner discovered the

continuing into further education.

money came from two individuals. The first was connected with organized crime. The other had, under a previous alias, been convicted in

Through contacts, it was discovered that the business was already under scrutiny by the law enforcement agencies. Lenzner's clients withdrew from the financing and officers of the company were indicted and convicted of a variety of offences.

"It was possibly a front for laundering narcotics money. The contracts for carpet cleaning were non-existent. When the auditors were coming by the company would rent a couple of floors of an office building and clean the carpets. When the auditors went, they would pack up and go."

Had the bankers relied solely on the accounts of ZZZZ Best, which had been audited by a top firm, they would have found themselves writing off substantial losses. Shareholders in Ferranti

International Signal, who have seen their company taken to the cleaners for some £200 million on non-existent contracts might wish that a company such as Lenzer's had been called in before the ISC

Lenzner's greatest hour, however, was not when he collapsed the fraud surrounding a West coast carpet cleaner, but when he was appointed chief counsel to the Senate committee investigating the break-in at the Watergate complex in Washington, a committee which eventually brought the downfall and disgrace of President Nixon.

Lenzner was already accustomed to rough assignments. He was a veteran of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice and had seen service in Alabama when the civil rights movement was fighting its bloodiest battles with the southern "rednecks."

On that very first case, he had to come to terms with the unpopularity involved in exposing "a whole litany of excesses of police brutality." Lenzner and the Department of Justice were determined to bring it to an end.

It was, as Mississippi Burning reminds us, almost impossible to get convictions for those carrying out the institutionalized terror.

After a couple of years in the civil rights front line, where he became too close to other people's murders for comfort. Lenzner "ended up sleeping on the floor in motels, with the

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extortion, and was involved in When it got to that stage. I credit card frauds.

After the hatred and the excesses of the Ku Klux Klan, organized crime almost appeared attractive. In New York, Lenzner got to work on the some of the most notorious families, and Godfathers went behind bars as a result

The highway from New York led to Washington - and Watergate. "All we knew was that the Cubans had been convicted of breaking and enter-

• There was a suspicion the prosecution had not plumbed the depths of Watergate



President Nixon: downfall and disgrace

ing the Watergate Complex. We also knew that (Howard) Hunt and (Gordon) Liddy had a White House number.

"On top of that there was a suspicion the prosecution had not plumbed the depths of the case. The judge made it clear in public he believed the full story had not been told."

But when Lenzer tried to enlist the help of other law enforcement officers to investigate the affair, "they just laughed at me. They worked for the Federal Government, and their careers were at stake. "So I hired a bunch of

young lawyers and people fresh out of law school," in addition to a couple of ex-FBI heavyweights with whom he had worked to bust corruption investigators. in the Teamsters Union.

What happened after that, they say, is history, a book and a movie. But Lenzner recalls floor, because "there was no of dollars are at stake."

It was his mission to serve the papers on the President, "I was walking down the corridor of the White House. Everybody knew what was about to happen and secre-

taries were coming out of their offices and saying good luck." Lenzner reveals that many of the White House secretaries had been sources of confidential information passed to the investigation.

In the early stages there was great public hostility to the investigation of the Parsident, and there were moments when Lenzner feared for his life. But the meod changed. The tele-vision reached into every corner of America. We began to receive telegrams suggesting questions to ask at the committee licarings.

But, although he could not

help but make enemies in high places in Washington, "cur investigations into the Team-sters money were more of a danger than anything to do

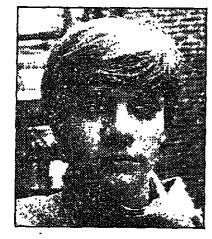
with Watergate." Corporate investigations do not pose the same kind of danger as mixing with mob-sters, but Lenzuer did not cave criminal investigations behind when he moved into the private sector. In 1981 Lenzuer's company was called in to help track down a killer who had plagued the city of Atlanta, brutally murdering 28 young blacks

It set up the computer program which combed through vehicle records, dog owners and a host of interview material looking for crossreferences. Eventually a 23-year-old, Wayne Williams, was put behind bars, although to this day Lenzer remains convinced he was not responsible for all the killings.

But the backbone of the business has to be the corporate work, and this is growing fast. In the battle for BAT Industries, corporate raider Sir James Goldsmith of Hoylake climbed aboard his high horse when he learned that BAT had employed Kroll Associates to look into Hoylake, Goldsmith "deplored" the use of BAT shareholders' funds to pay

Yet in the US, as Goldsmith would know full well, it can be regarded as irresponsible not to use investigators to search drafting the subpoenas for in the forgotten corners of Nixon's papers lying on the public records when billions

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# A land that time almost forgot



eturning to New Zealand after an absence of 12 years, I stowed an item of ballast in my rucksack: a notebook from that previous visit. In it I had copied the sign at Auckland Airport: "In other countries tipping is the custom. Here it is not". In degrees of sophistication I had compared fashion-store displays with the cave drawings of Levkas Man, adding that although Vogue had once published in New Zealand, it floundered fitfully before abandoning all hope.

Scenically, I observed, New Zealand was Paradise; and in this Eden no harm would come to Eve, because if the serpent offered her an apple there would be no fear that she would bite into it. She would, conditioned by thrift and domestic servitude, bottle it or turn it into conserve to share with the family. To endorse these specious opinions I quoted from The Passionless People, Gordon McLaughlan's best-selling book: 'The New Zealand wife lasts such a long time as a sex partner because she has so few moving

The cautionary thing is that, on my return, I longed for New Zealand to have remained petrified in the aspic of these mem-ories; for in a world committed to ideals of with-itry, the notion of somewhere so conspicuously without it was a benediction. But if I, peripherally, knew what to expect, you may not; so first things first: a sense of perspective.

If the estimated human time on carth - two million years - were telescoped into 24 hours, European Man arrived in New Zealand eight seconds ago. Man himself has been there no longer than a minute, accepting the thesis that he was a Polynesian, a Tahitian or Rarotongan fisherman blown offcourse some time between AD400 and AD700. The first time Nieuw Zeeland appeared on maps was as a result of the landing in 1642 by Abel Tasman, the Dutchman, but it was to be another 125 years, after Cook's rediscovery, before Europeans gained a footbold on the Northland and Coromandel peninsulas. This was the earthy period of grog-shops, escaped convicts, ships' deserters and misguided missionary zeal; it was the time of Maori massacre and cannibalistic reprisals.

In 1840 tribal chiefs affixed their marks to the document known as the Treaty of Waitangi, and New Zealand became British. Or did it? There is relentless evidence to suggest that it really became Scottish: severe, humourless, Calvinistic Scottish of lowermiddle class ideals. The first assisted immigrants to arrive in Auckland in 1842 were 500 unemployed Paisley weavers, and shipping lists of the time confirm

As Auckland prepares to play host to the 1990 Commonwealth Games. Michael Watkins makes a sentimental journey to the Land of the Long White Cloud, to find that New Zealanders are

still the same — but different

that a predominance of settlers in this spell of intense growth origi-

nated from Scotland. They were a dour, no-nonsense people: they had to be in order to convert a wilderness into some kind or order. It was, to an extent, achieved by ruthlessness towards the land. Markets for world trade were far removed, so farmers planned with spectacular efficiency to produce quality at low cost. It was the only way to compete. There was the rasp and whine of the saw, the cracks of the axe, the searing blast of bushfire as land was cleared, planted and

grazed in no time at all. If anything, it all happened too quickly, and it is necessary to appreciate this because it explains the apparent insensitivity towards development. New Zealand lives off the land, but it lives in the cities: 75 per cent of the population, perhaps more, consists of urban dwellers passing their days in drab surroundings. They are drab because there was no time for the dignity and grace of an architectural style to evolve; cities and suburbs exploded obstinately. violently. Timber, sheet-asbestos, corrugated metal for roofing; these were the materials used for hous-

The houses themselves were immaculate, scrubbed and polished with forensic passion. A million china geese spread their wings across the walls; pixies and gnomes squatted on rustic bridges over rustic ponds in rustic pardens; herds of Bambis gambolled up crazy-paving paths. Inside, the wife was bottling, conserving, baking scones, making tea for Kevin-her-mate and her 3.5 kids.



Empire day: a painting of the meeting in February 1840 when Maori chiefs signed the Treaty of Waitangi, binding New Zealand to Britain

Kev himself, up to his elbows in axle grease, was servicing their superannuated Morris Minor. As dusk embraced this scene of connubial sanctity, there was an effervescent hiss of opening beer cans as meat pies and Vegemite sandwiches were dispensed, while coloured dots on the house totem assembled themselves into the

play of the All Blacks.
Those were the days, my friend, we thought they'd never end. But they did . . . and then again, they did not. As in every country with which I am familiar, standards come in multiples: one for the rich, another for the poor, one for natives, another for tourists; one for the talented and one for the cretinous. To see how the locals really live, you'd have to knock on their door in Wanganui, Most of us employ a more vicarious tactic: by leasing a car, a map and a sense of wonder.

It took five hours to drive from Christchurch, over the Canterbury Plains to Mount Cook. In the beginning was the word, and the word became Coca-Cola; but not on the way through South Island. There was not a billboard in sight, not a toffee wrapper or cigarette butt in the entire litterless landscape. The sheep hadn't changed, looking as daft as most sheep do. The town of Geraldine hadn't changed unrecognizably, its shop windows still featuring the kind of frocks that look as though they are knitted out of Heinz Sandwich Spread. Best of all, I had the road to myself; for Kevin is far too busy servicing his car to get much driving in.

he savage, heart-rending beauty begins to unfold at Lake Tekapo, at the edge of Mackenzie Country, named after a Scottish sheep-stealer who spoke only Gaelic. This is the gateway to the chain of permanently snowcapped Southern Alps, the highest of which is Mount Cook (known to the Maoris as Aorangi, "Cloud Piercer"), a primeval dyspeptic

The Hermitage Hotel, in Mount Cook's shadow, hadn't changed hugely. Oh, there was a brave new reception counter, and dinner had a touch of the nouvelle cuisines; but the wine waiter's attitude was unswervingly Kiwi. "What's the house wine like?" I asked. "I couldn't say," he replied. "I've never tasted it." This reassured me, it really did. I can be softsoaped around the world, but in New Zealand "packaging" means a brown paper bag. Things are as they appear, there is no sense of mystery, little subtlety. It never ceases to amaze me that New Zealand cannot amaze me. And having come to that conclusion. I was amazed by a woman I talked to at an Auckland party who told

me she'd met Jeffrey Archer. What's he like, I wanted to know. "Well," she considered, "he was perfectly formed."

Queenstown was lovely and Milford Sound, when I arrived after a bus ride so long that I needed a haircut, was spectacular, but what I shall remember when I am eating my dotage bread and milk was the journey along the west coast from Haast Pass to Nelson. It was as Cornwall would have been before the petrol en-

gine. There were houseless hills, a restless sea clawing at black cliffs, water you could drink straight from the burn, and no sense of urgency - time was immeasurable. I dawdled. I slept well. With 70 million sheep to count,

insomniacs are rare. At Franz Joseph I flew up Fox Glacier, landing on snow, leaving my footprints frozen to the mountain. At Ross, not far from Haribari, a girl from the takeaway said she envied my travels, she

wanted to see Africa. Where, apart from Africa, was her favourite spot? The Abel Tasman Track, she said, it's three days' bush walk from Kaiteriteri. She was sweet and shy, and dished up a brilliant meat pie.

Although fishing is the most feeble of blood sports (with hunting and shooting there are elements of risk, but whoever heard of an angler being savaged by a rainbow trout?), I put up at Lake Continued overleaf



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# Eat, drink and pay taxes

subject of 1990 there is one piece of unfinished '89 business. I have had 11 letters asking what we drank with the lobsters. It was a Corton Charlemagne '72 and it and they were perfect. So was Simon Hopkinson's tripe, which I finally sampled at Bibendum with three

days of the old year to go.

On New Year's Eve I thought a lot about the Dalai Lama — not because of his brand new Nobel Prize and not because, like Kings Constantine and Michael, the decade may give him a chance of going home in style; no, I was wondering if his present junketings were any-thing like an old-fashioned Tibetan new year. The celebration of the Great Prayer Festival began with several days of eating drinking, dancing and "all kinds of merrymaking". The next 10 days quietened down a bit with religious services in the Great Temple of

On the twentieth day licence broke out again with sports, especially horse-racing. Magistrates took advantage of the suspefied citizens to collect some pretty hefty taxes. Frequent punch-ups occurred between the visiting Lamas and the locals. It is recorded that a "sizeable fortune" was raked in by the proctors from fines for "disorderly conduct" during the festival.

I offer it as a thought for David Waddington and John Major, should they still be Home Secretary and Chancellor next year and should the festive season stretch on so interminably.

STILL in helpful mood, I have been concerned for the unemployed. Not our 1.5 million Brits, but all those heads of government who have lost their jobs or may see them go in the near future. Rajiv Gandhi can return to the Boeings as a pilot: This is your ex-prime minister speaking, we are now flying at 35,000 feet." But he must remember to go on: "Fasten your seat belts." and not, "Fill in your voting cards."
Ronald Reagan can do that final remake of Casablanca, for which he was cast in the first place.

To East Germany's former leader,

Erich Honecker, formerly a communist youth leader, I can only wish an unhappy second childhood. Ceausescu is no longer my respon-(Czechoslovakia), formerly a law-yer, who will be fully occupied looking for a very good one indeed. General Pinochet should revert to square-bashing rather than peon-

bashing.
If Mrs Thatcher fails to win next time, she has two possibilities. Will it be a Nobel Prize as a research chemist - "Duchess of Belton discovers the elixir of life" - or will it be glory and silk at the Bar — "I don't care how the jury voted, I am a majority of one"?

A final thought for Captain Bob Maxwell. How about being the next King of Albania?

JUST TIME for two of the most intriguing put-downs of last year. especially if you haven't heard them. I hadn't.

The first, unascribed, is aimed at Kenneth Baker, chairman of the Conservative Party. "I have seen the future and it smirks."

The second is theatrical - a conversation on Concorde. Albert Finney and Richard Harris find themselves sitting together. Harris opens a magazine and is confronted by an enormous photo-article on Kenneth Branagh. "What do you make of this Branagh fella, Albert?" he asks. "The trouble with Ken," replies Finney, thoughtfully pulling on his cigar, "is that he wants to be the next Dickie Attenborough."

ACTORS HAVE various contemptuous synonyms for unresponsive audiences. This year West End stars are muttering to one another after a dull house: "Ceausescu's relatives were in." Not, I am glad to say, at the three theatrical events I have crammed in since we last met.

Hal Prince's great pageant production of The Phantom of the Opera is in fine shape nearly three years into its run. If the two



principals lack some of Crawford's mystery and Brightman's extraordinary fragility, Robert Meadmore's voice and panache are a huge improvement on the original Raoul. At the Comedy Theatre, the impossibly elegant Patricia Hodge and Simon Cadell combine to give the wittiest reading yet of Noel and Gentie. When I did a Coward show in Connecticut in 1979 I heard a woman in the interval say: "Who was this guy Noël Coward? Was he

the one who collaborated with Hitler during the war?" No chance of that sort of double ignorance with the large holiday audience, who knew exactly what they were

On Tuesday I presided over the seventh annual theatre quiz, RNT v RST. My scoring bimbo was Michael Gambon, the brand new CBE, and the most intriguing feature was Peter O'Toole's spe-cially set round of sporting/theatrical questions. I am prepared to present two tickers for Jeffrey Bernard is Unwell to the first Times reader (not a member of Tuesday's

Which actor played wing forward as a wartime Oxford blue against a Micky Steele-Bodger XV?; and

Who played rugby at centre three-quarter for the British Fleet against the Swedish police in Stockholm in the early 1950s?

The prize will go to the first correct entry that I open on my return from foreign parts on Janu-

AMID THE melancholic crop of Christmas and New Year obituaries I notice with particular sadness that of Marjorie Westbury — for years the doyenne of the BBC radio drama repertory company. Marjorie's versatility was legendary. Her singing was as warm as her acting and, 30-odd years ago, she starred with Alec McCowen in the first radio play Caryl Brahms and I wrote together — a musical called The Little Beggars.

I AM excited about visiting Australia for the first time. On Tuesday we open Victor Spinetti's one-man show at the Sydney Opera Play-house. Looking for advance information, I made the mistake of consulting my man in Deal, who was last there with the Navy in 1945 when large oysters were half a crown a dozen, when there wasn't a highrise in the place and the pubs shut at six. The time between 5pm, when city offices closed, and 6pm was known as "the bastards' rush". He reports that the scene at five past six was not a pretty one. The beer was fine, the wine quite good, but "the gin burnt the woodwork - crook

It is not like that now, so why is he

telling me?

I did, however, like his story of a party to which he was invited in Melbourne. The hostess complained that some joker had written "Philip of Greece" in the guest book. Her touchiness was explained by the fact that a mobster in Sydney, much in the news at that particular time, was known as "Phil the

What she did not know was that Prince Philip and his cousin, Lord Milford Haven (who were both lieutenants in the Navy), had crashed her party. As it happened, Phil the Greek was shot soon afterwards. His nick-namesake more wisely returned to the United Kingdom, married, and lived happily ever after.

Next week - dateline: Sydney.

on as I did, just by myself. When Mr Cockcroft made the

film, I think it was just me. i

know of neighbours who had a

horse and a machine and that

was it. I believe that if you

look about hard enough you

can still find others who are

carrying on by themselves.

Not in my dale, but in others.

heard from someone the other

day that there's a woman

somewhere who's doing it on

he meals-on-wheels

woman arrives with

the lunch, and Han-

nah, who has lately

been suffering from

her own. I'm not sure where."

a virus, politely retires to eat

alone. Because of the seeming

distance of the life which she

describes, it comes as a sur-

prise to learn that she is still

only 63. If anyone should doubt that that life was hard.

the mouth, which just occa-

sionally puckers into that of a

truly old woman, should give

a vivid description of the sale

of Low Birk Hat last year, by

"an archetypal Dales auc

tioneer from Hawes in Upper

Wensleydale, conducted . . . with gravelly skill," reports a

fitting epitaph for the van-ished ways. One parcel of the

land is to be kept in exactly the

way it has been for centuries

by Hannah and her forbears,

free of artificial fertilizers,

It is ironic that the post-

script to his celebration

should carry the very news of

her leaving which is inter-

mittently feared and hinted at

in the course of the book until

inevitability. At the same time

it is peculiarly apt, since her

departure has proved more

eloquent about the engulfing

of the past by the present in this neck of rural England

than her staying ever could.

Like the tarmac, it was the

past's lot to peter out at this

dinary woman does get a

private frisson of vanity from

her fame, then hers is a classy

act of concealment. "I'm not a

celebrity," she says with the levelness I was told to expect.

My assessment of myself is

that I'm a plain Daleswoman.

I'm just as I am. If I were

otherwise, someone would give me a good shaking." The

only betrayal of an idiom

other than that of her own

comes when she is asked what

her plans are in this new life.

She replies, surveying the

chaos of effects around her: "I

want to try and get my act

together down here," and i

have to say that it is delivered

with not a hint of self-

If this extraordinarily or-

point on the temporal map.

almost hardens into an

In his book, Cockcroft, after

proof enough.

in the area.

#### FRANCES EDMONDS

# If I were.

f I were Mick Jagger, of the Rolling Stones, I would be relaxing after the group's gruelling three-month tour of the United States and Canada. Idly perusing the British newspapers, I would chance upon a story about that other middle-aged rock 'n' roller, Paul about that other middle-aged rock in roller, raul McCartney. With growing interest, I would read of his exhortations to a packed house at the Birmingham Exhibition Centre to support the environmental pressure group, Friends of the Earth. I would sit, openmouthed, as I contemplated his injunction not to vote for politicians who did not support policies for "a cleaner world".

die

And suddenly I would realize that the politicization of pop is nowadays where it's at

After protracted negotiations and contracts worth telephone-number sums, I would promise to put the Rolling Stones at the service of Conservative Party Central Office. Never a fool or a hypocrite, I would realize that it is thanks to their acts of outrage and rebellion that today's rock-stars are multi-millionaires and, as such, part of the capitalist establishment they purport to despise. With this in mind, I would aim to redress the politico-pop balance with a nationwide, whistle-stop, "Stones-sing-Thatcher" tour.

Happily, I would recognize that most of our best material would need only minor alterations. As our



personal tribute to the woman who has done for Tory personal tribute to the woman who has done for 1 dry machismo what Pol Pot did for the Kampuchean tourist industry, every concert would kick off with a rousing rendition of "Under My Thumb". Next, assuming that the ambulance dispute is still on, we would continue with Health Secretary Kenneth Clarke's old favourite "(You Ain't Gonna Get No) Satisfaction". And then, for all of Thatcher's children who did what they were told, bought their own houses and, as interest rates soared, found they could no longer afford their crippling mortgages, we would move into "Nineteenth Nervous Breakdown".

The usual quick dig at the opposition would soon follow with "Have You Seen Your Mother, Baby/Standing In The Shadow/Cabinet For The Last Thirteen Years?" Then we would really get down to business, expounding the philosophy which will continue to underpin Conservative policy into the next millennium. "Hey, You, Get Off Of My Cloud" would explain that, in future, only shareholders in the recently privatized Rolling Stones plc will own assets previously believed to belong to everyone.

inally, in modern Tory fashion, we would start hiving off the most profitable parts of our operation. We would sell the "Honky Tonk Women" to the House of Commons, possibly as "researchers". "Brown Sugar" would be exported to the European Community. And, bearing in mind the principles informing the Broadcasting Bill, we would put ourselves out to tender with the armisesting offer the community. put ourselves out to tender with the unmissable offer of "Let's Spend The Night Together".

# Hannah...in from the cold

otherwise, you might think it was all a terrific affectation — this old woman from the Dales with the luminescent skin, the saintly set of the features and the clothes from the pile which even the rag-and-bone man would probably not take.

You could swear you have seen her somewhere before, and your swearing would be justified, for in the past decade and a half Hannah Hauxwell has had a sort of greatness thrust upon her by the very medium, television, whose existence is the antithesis of her own.

She has been the heroine there is no other word for it of two documentaries which have become as internationally acclaimed as her own life has been parochial. Ever since she was "found" by Yorkshire Television in the early 1970s in the fastness of her Baldersdale farm, hermetically sealed against the century by the absence of electricity and running water ("That's not true. There's a grand stream"), she has become what might be called The Professional Daleswoman (although her farm at Low Birk Hat is strictly within the County Durham boundary). It is enough to make you smell a rat and be damned for

Hannah Hauxwell is famous for being obscure, which, by definition, is a state of affairs that cannot last. She is one of those official curios so heloved by the British in the presentation of their living heritage - a Listed Person withstanding the erosions of north of it out of Middleton the impure present

your cynicism.

The reality is not quite as straightforward. Producer sounds hollow with depopula-Barry Cockroft's latest book tion, and activity laid low. on his rewarding subject There is hardly the vastness of vaunts her as "unquestionably the First Lady of the Yorkshire Dales". Yet now, as Seasons of My Life sits in the bookshops with all the tele-led expectations of a Herriott or a Bellamy, Hannah no longer lives up in Low Birk Hat, that farm which pursued remoteness to the point of obstinacy, and where viewers saw her holed up for snowbound winters with nothing but a camera crew for company. She has surrendered, climbed down, come in from the cold, sold up or out; call it what you will, this is where the story be-

comes interesting.
When I learnt that I was to see her, and before I had read Cockroft's moving account of her departure, I braced myself for the very journey which has thwarted better stalkers than I with its skein of false scents and dead ends. For the whole of this little-known dale high in the Pennines is a cul-de-sac. You might pass to the south of Her silhouette, struggling through blizzards in a spartan life, is well known. Now Alan Franks follows Hannah Hauxwell's new life



and, as such, virtually unique A long way from home: Hannah Hauxwell, who has left the privations of Low Birk Hat for village comforts five miles away

it on the A66 from Barnard Castle to Appleby, or to the on the road to Alston.

The whole place almost north west Scotland, and the clearance here has been the product of economic rather than military pressure; but it has the same empty resonance, giving a traveller the same sense of having arrived in the pub long after closing time.

Cockcroft has filmed and written eloquently about the changes in the valley, and Hannah herself is not stuck for words on the matter, as we shall see, even though there is one point on which her famous articulacy gives out, like the tarmac.

But we must now retrace our steps, away from the single-track roads along the shoulder of the moor, and the cattle grids and fastened gates and the herds of sheep which are put there to test a Londoner's patience by never getting out of first gear, down to Cotherstone, which is just five physical miles from Low Birk Hat, but none the less such a fully developed village as to seem like a metropolis to someone who never strayed from the farm.

Forget the old woman bent double in a Biblical blizzard and lugging her kine in her wake; forget the timeless silhouette and its look of a nun with a hay rake.

We are now in Belle Vue Cottage, a small place which she bought last year after being forced to agree with her anxious friends that she could no longer cope alone at Low Birk Hat. There is a post office here, and a shop with petrol pumps on the forecourt, and a pub nearby whose patrons object when her visitors, of which there are many, come and put their vehicles in the patrons-only car spaces.

otherstone also has those two other prerequisites of modern English village: a main road freighted with traffic and the scar of a disused railway line. Hannah Hauxwell has come a long way.
Without meaning disrespect, you could conclude from

the look of the front room that

having parked her spirit in perpetuity five miles up the dale. It is the room of someone in semi-permanent tran-sit, all boxes and wrapping paper and huge unmoored hulks of furniture which have yet to make an accommoda-

tion with the surroundings. And the woman herself; in the grey afternoon light seeping through the front window and the unbelievable rags, and her fine silver tresses of hair, this is Miss Haversham at the dawn of the electric age, with a single rung of fire doing its best in the unequal struggle against a standard Dales win-

She talks darkly of the dale, to which the body no longer goes back to join the spirit. You cannot live all your life in one place and then walk away from it just like that. There's chains that bind. I did once go back, but I wish I hadn't gone. I didn't like it. It's a long and miserable story. My family had been in the house for generations. There was no time to sort out everything properly before I left. I thought that when the time came for me to leave, I would just leave the key in the she is here in body alone, appointed place, just as I had

always done, but it wasn't to be like that . . But was she not surprised at

how valuable her childhood home had become in today's prices? "I really do not want to talk about it. If you don't mind. Thank you. There's a man up there, a businessman l believe, and I know that he does not like it mentioned.

"Once I had decided to go, I tried not to think about it any more, I realized that it was not just the end of my time there, but of a whole line. I had caring relatives, and friends who had been going on to me for a long time, especially in the winters. I think there were two times that I went for three weeks without seeing a single soul. I suppose everyone was worried that I might fall down a ladder and not be able to get help or let anyone know that I

was hurt. 'There's been a thinning out up there. The people have just moved away. Once it all seemed quite simple. There was a farm, and in the farm was a family. Now that's all changed. All the ownership. has altered. You get one person owning a lot of the

"I think I was the only one awareness.

#### Hospitality that knows its bounds

Continued from previous page the pale streamers of clematis;

New Zealand is for sale; treaty notices proliferated. At Brunner I met lan and Janet Wallace, who farmed 2,500 acres of sheep, cattle and deer single-handed. They'd had enough. It was killing them, profits were zero, they were getting out. They struck me as good people, industrious and resilient. Their defection from the land that reared them seemed an ill omen.

In Nelson Kerry Marshall, the Mayor of Tasman, treated me to dinner. Kiwis are very generous, I told him. "We're hospitable until foreigners start unpacking their suitcases." he said narrowly. He fretted about the economy, about New Zealand's place in the world. "We think about what happens in Whitehall, Washington and Bonn, but do they bother about us? If France fell off the edge of the world, what would we do for

Beaujolais? If New Zealand went down, who would care?" From Nelson I flew to Wellington, changing planes for Rotorua, which I have never liked: it smells. The Maoris, who virtually run the town, are proud of this smell, which put Rotorua on the map. The smell comes from the Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve, vast cauldrons of sulphur bubbling evilly like Brown Windsor soup, spurting, when they are so minded, 80ft into the air as gevsers. It is terribly boring, yet the pakeha (non-Maori) enjoys all this hissing and plopping so much that his enthusiasm has turned

Rotorua into a Las Vegas-style Strip. Another of North Island's heroically boring attractions is the Waitomo Caves glowworm grotto, where hundreds of thousands of worms simply hang there, glowing. Not that they have much of a life once they stop glowing and turn into chrysalides: apparently they are so designed that they have no orifice. Which would make them tidy house-pets. but means they cannot eat.

After the west coast, North Island seemed too much: too much traffic, too many people, too many waiters informing one that the asparagus mousse had been garnished with a sprig of dill and a tomato rose. (Gosh, if anyone had made such an announcement 12 years ago it would have been to the effect that the cod was garnished with chips from the potato plant.) Yet this was only an optical illusion — as you would understand if you stopped your car and took in the mustardy blooms of kowhai, the red of rata, crimson blooms of pohitukawa,

if you listened to the call of the Brunner Lodge. Here it tui, haunting notes of a bird which trail you everywhere. The reality is that there are far more this than humankind, an admirable arrangement. This admirable arrange-

ment finds voice in "She's right, mate!", a Kiwi expression which could elegantly be translated into Australian as "No worries", or into quasi-Esperanto as "No problem". If you are of European background, and settle in the coveted Coramandel Peninsula or bountiful Bay of Islands, your situation is indeed right. If, on the other hand, you are a farmer, hotelier or stockbroker, the catchphrase might sound hollow. Farming we know about; excluding Auckland, average hotel occupancy is running at 50 per cent; while, since Black Monday, the stock market is a minefield.

The Maori's plight is another conversation in itself. To casual observers New Zealand has never looked better. All but the most pernicious of pixies, gnomes, geese and Bambis have been humanely destroyed. Restaurants and hotels - particularly the so-called "sporting lodges" match international standards, while scenic splendours are second to none. Auckland is as Auckland was; too involved with its own setting, spread around twin harbours and a sub-tropical isthmus, to

bother about externals. Yet the Kiwi, obsessed with self-doubt, seems more insecure than ever. He has come to live with this neurosis as others live with plague, violence and cholesterol. Worrying is a condition of his life; without it he'd be really worried. In other words, he is like the rest of us, a bit of a mess. Now, on top of everything else, he is worried about his age: he is 150 years old and feels duty-bound to throw a party. As well as mounting the 1990 Commonwealth Games. beginning on January 24, he is staging a Maori Festival of Arts and Culture, sheep-shearing contests, a food and wine festival followed by a mardi gras and, because he loves to confound us with his linguistic dexterity, the Turangawaewae

Canoe Regatta. The invitations are out and the Queen has graciously accepted. Yet I suspect that, in the Antipodes of his mind, the Kiwi doesn't desperately want a load of visitors cluttering up his landscape. He enjoys it the way it is, sparse. But because he is such a thoroughly decent sort he will climb into his best suit, glue a smile into place and demonstrate the lavish extent of Kiwi hospitality provided that we do not unpack our suiteases.

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"It will offer shade to the my Best Beloved, Rusty Cor-

what it is you talk - The Garden Furniture? The Fluffy Dice? The Anorak?"
"None of these," declared

squirmy-wormy-little-worm;

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offer bedding to the housey-

wousey-little mouse; and it

will offer an Unfathomable

the Hosepipe, who then unand gay. curled himself in order to point with every inch of his body in the direction of a disused vehicle, weatherbeaten and worn-out, lying beyond the forecourt of the Service Station. "I speak only

Hosepipe acceded without Then Mr and Mrs Rusty Cortina went to live in their Essex Front Garden and they had lots of baby Rusty Corti-

nas, and those babies in their babies' babies had babies, and so now, in every Front Garden beside every road in Essex, there lives a Rusty Cortina, always resistant to a respray, always shedding its parts, and there, O my Best Beloved, it will live for ever and ever.

#### A CHILDHOOD: SIR PETER PARKER

# 'I was angry as hell when my brother died. We had done everything together'

reminder that time is the elastic by which we measure our lives. To some people the elastic is taut and constricting to Sir Peter life has expanded endlessly as new choices and fresh asms have appeared.

He might have been a professional actor or a high-flying politician. Instead he went with a vocation into management most dramatically when he was chairman of British Rail from 1976 to 1983. At this moment he

is, among many, many other things, chairman of the Rockware Group, Mitsubishi Electric (UK) and Whitehead

Mann, chairman of the London School of Economics, visiting fellow of Nuffield College, Oxford, president of the Design and Industries Association and a trustee of Friends of the Earth. Now aged 65 and the author of an autobiography, when asked

how he managed to cram so much in, he says: "It's to do with having the luck to be presented with 360 degrees of choice." It is also, one suspects, equally

to do with having an exceptional mind, extraordinary energy and adventurous parents. "Most people have lines on their paper which they follow through life," he says. "But we didn't. We tended to stake things out as we went along, and that gave me a tremendous commitment to family. I think my kids would say that, too."

Home as a child was wherever the family were. The youngest of three brothers, he was born in Dunkirk in 1924 where his father, Tom Parker, worked as an engineer for a French refrigerating plant. His father was from Hull, an impulsive tailor's son who wanted to go to sea and did; his mother, Dorothy, was clever and provided the stability and the deeper in-

fluence in the family. He thinks now she could have been anything, "an ambassador, a headmistress, an actress ... an extraordinarily old-fashioned mother figure with her three boys". Undoubtedly she must have displayed some of the qualities needed for all of these professions during Sir Peter's childhood - not least when his father was made redundant in the slump of 1931 and came bome early from work one day to suggest

the family go to live in China. He was a great starter of new adventures, and off the family went to Hong Kong, *en route* to Shanghai. Even the outbreak of hostilities between China and Japan did not dull his parents' resolve and their ship pulled into the Huangpu estuary with bullets bouncing off the sides. Anyone who has read J.G. Ballard's Empire of the Sun (or seen the film) will be able to picture the

Parkers' new life in Shanghai. At first, while their father worked as an engineer up and down the Yangtze Gorges, the

Parker is a constant Chinese quarter. But after a year he found a job as a resident engineer. With this new good fortune, the Parker boys attended the Cathedral School. "It was exactly as depicted in Ballard's book," says Sir Peter, "right down to my brother, Alan, and I cycling down the Nanking Road after choir practice in the cathedral."

The experience of growing up

The experience of growing up from eight to 13 in Shanghai never left him. His life was that of the privileged European boy, but he was aware that to the vast millions of Chinese life was appalling.

by Ray Connolly

In his book he states: "It was impossible not to be alive to the

loneliness and suffering all round.

Shanghai must have been one of

the best schools in the world for

revolutionaries", before adding

that had he been Chinese and a

little older, he is sure he would

have done his best to join the

Communists on the Long March.

brother Mickey was in the RAF. He was killed in February 1940. "I remember seeing the shock of sadness in my mother, seeing her holding a cup and then suddenly the cup was on the floor."

Although he had missed a year of school in the retreat from Shanghai, academically he had no problems and when the Government needed interpreters in Japanese, it was suggested he should apply for a state scholarship.

A day spent in London with his mother, lunch at Lyons Corner House, and aptitude tests along with some other very bright 16-year-olds, led him to

being accepted as an were a group of 70 Dulwich College and attended London University's

School of Oriental and African Studies during the day. Sir Peter was among the top group who studied Japanese. In 1943, aged 17, he joined the Army (both brothers had joined the RAF) and was promptly

shipped out to India. It was there a

few months later that he heard of the death of his second brother, Alan, shot down over Caen. Sir Peter was in Delhi when the news came. "I just couldn't understand how I hadn't known," he was angry as hell about it. I felt I ought to have known. We had done everything together. If he

He had lost both brothers to the war before his twentieth birthday. In December 1944, while deep in northern Burma, he received a message ordering him back to Delhi "for overseas posting". The 'overseas" turned out to be the United States and he found himself receiving a crash course in

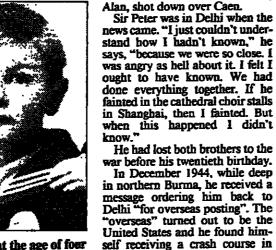
American management styles.

Already he had become interested in the work which was to dominate most of his life management and leadership. In war a man will follow an order. because if he doesn't get out of the trench he will be shot. Obviously her sons were evacuated - leav- in industrial life there had to be

> He might have stayed in the Army where, as a 22-year-old major based in Washington, analysing and distributing captured material, he was having a marvellous time. But, as he says. "I knew at the time I was stark staring bloody ignorant, and it was

time I got some education." An Oxford awash with recently demobbed young people was the next step. He was offered a place at New College for 1948, but having lost time in the war he did not want to wait a year and decided to knock on doors.

It was a sunny day and there was nothing to stop him. Balliol and Trinity were not interested, nobody was at home at Brasenose, Oriel was encouraging and University College could not make a decision for 48 hours.



In 1937, the Sino-Japanese War in the shape of the Shanghai Incident abruptly ended the family's stability. Suddenly Shanghai had become too dangerous a place even for Tom Parker's kind of English family and Dorothy and ing, as they had arrived, under another way. fire, now from Japanese cruisers

which were shelling the shoreline. After some time billeted in Hong Kong, the family reached England and took a flat in Wimbledon where Sir Peter still remembers going with his unemployed father to the public library to study the appointments available columns. Whatever his father might have had due to him from China now shrank to disappearing point as the value of the Hong Kong dollar diminished

daily, from 1s 3d down to 2d. **Eventually Bedford School took** the two younger boys and, having failed to find anything suitable in England, their father set off for Africa with the promise that the family should join him. But the

war intervened. By now Sir Peter's eldest



ege. He tried there. And by 4pm he

was in to read history. If success in life is also partly about networks, then Oxford provided him with just that. There was a love affair with Shirley Williams, there were political friends, academic friends, sporting friends (he was a keen rugby player) and, finally, there were his friends in the Oxford University

our Party politics, but now another career became a possibility - drama. As an Orientalist he had been friendly with Sandy Wilson (of The Boyfriend) who, a year ahead of him, now helped introduce him to a golden period in drama at Oxford. played Hamlet under Kenneth Tynan's direction, with both Lindsay Anderson and John Schlesinger, and a doctored

R is for Road Map ("But it can't be this way")

Standing Up

find a buyer

trucking jet-setter

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a letter

S is for Surfboarders Do It

T is for Tokens, 30 Gallons

U is for Unwanted Gifts, must

V is for Video Nasties, for sale

W is for ELCOME, sign's lost

Y is for Yorkie Bar, for the

X is for Xmas, closed all day

Z is for Z222, our staff, bright

The Hosepipe spouted and

pouted and flouted and

routed, so full of joy was he.

"I'm scruciatingly happy," he

London and a tour of America. He was also doing poetry readings for the BBC - a guinea an hour which helped out no end with his meagre grant. And he had fallen in love for life with Jill Rowe-Dutton, a medical student. (They were married in He has no doubts that he could

have made a living as an actor, but he had choices to make. He

rather than be just a hired politician."

When he stood as Labour candidate for his home town Bedford in 1951, he was not successful in a general election which returned the Tories to power. The choices led into the new science of management. For Starters: The Business of Life by Sir Peter Parker (Jonathan Cape,

tina shed some rust and

collapsed a door and burst a

tyre in celebration. "You can't

say fairer than that, squire,"

he said with a wink, adding

"But I would beg of you to see

your way clear to allowing the

# The Just So Stories retold for the Nineties (1)

#### How the rusty Cortina came to rest in the Essex front garden

In the High and Far-Off Times, O Best Beloved, the Essex Front Garden had nothing in it but flowers, and Beware of the Dog signs, and grass, and dustbins, and hosepipes, and dividing hedges over which fierce tempers broke, and gnomes, big gnomes and little gnomes and expensive gnomes and cheap gnomes and medium-size-

Hear and attend and listen; for this befell and behappened and became before the Rusty Cortinas came to rest in every Essex Front Garden. Once upon a most early Time, a Hosepipe was talking to a garden gnome.

"Gnomm of Ghomishness, O Precious Keepsake from a forgotten holiday in Truro," said the Hosepipe. "The Essex Front Garden is a place of Wonder indeed. The Surrey front garden may have more swimming-pools. The Gloucestershire front garden may have more Victorian-style allpurpose one hundred per cent glass fibre solaria. The Sussex front garden may have more reinforced surface all-weather Tennis Courts and the Kent front garden may have more Roads and Railway lines runung through its centre, but the Essex Front Garden is Really Truly a Front Garden of

Which to be Proud." "Tis indeed 'sclusive, O-Rubber-Tube-Through-Which-Water-Would-Pass-If-You-Were-Not-Riddled-withleaks, and I will now tell you why," said the Gnomm, "the Essex Front Garden is Super-



Little Bit of Everything has a Little Bit of Nothing."

"You speak in riddles, O Gnomm," said the Hosepipe. "What I mean is this. The Essex Front Garden has a Conservatory, but the glass has fallen out; it has a small bit of random gravel, but no tennis net to speak of, it has a Beware of the Dog sign, but no dog; it has a large puddle, but no diving board; it has a busy road at its gate, but only Chelmsford for a destination. It is all and nothing, Alpha and Omega, a triumph and a futility; it speaks to man in a

language he may comprehend, O Hosepipe." "But something is still missing," said The Hosepipe.
It is always a mistake to grumble without need, O little

men everywhere." So saying,

that day, still hoping to catch fishy-dishy-wishy-washy-little-fishes from an empty shell



CRAIG BROWN

at his feet. "But if you feel that there is something still missing, we must together search for it, far and wide."

And so embarked the Leaky Hosepipe and the Fishless Gnome upon their quest, together with an Essex Rottweiler for protection from stray children.

They scuttled for days and

days and days till they came F is for Fluffy Dice, after ever so many days and days and days to a Forest composed entirely of Service Stations upon Roundabouts. Here indeed, O my best beloved, was the Heart of Old Essex.

vice Station to offer us, O Gromm?" To which the Gromm replied in Educational Verse, O My Best Beloved:

going cheap,

Said the Hosepipe to the

Gnomm: "What has the Ser-

A is for Anoraks, on every one's backs B is for Bee Gees, on all cassette racks C is for Cuddly Toys, some going "Beep" D is for 1989 Diaries, now

E is for Electronic Surveil

lance, you have been warned

universally scorned G is for Garden Furniture, in peach, mauve or grey, H is for Honk If You've Had I is for Ice Cream, for the kids to spill J is for Jumbo Burger, to make you feel ill K is for Kling-Film, around a stale bun L is for Lead-Free, have you had yours done? M is for Microwaved

Yummyburger, no good for you N is for Now Wash Your Hands, sign in the loo O is for Out of Order, sign by the phone P is for Personnel, one slob, all alone Q is for Quick Repairs ("Ooh, no, not Today")

"For discovered have I, O Gnomm, just the of yonder Rusty Cortina!" thing for the Essex Front At the invitation to reside in their Essex Front Garden. O Garden.

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#### FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

# A society defeats its own rules

nereal gloom hangs over a vilnorthern India. People are trudging to

Satish Ram's mud hut, where his wife has just given birth to a daughter. They offer heartfelt condolences. Satish Ram, thank-ing them, sadly casts his mind forward 15 or 20 years, when practically everything he owns will have to be sold for a marriage dowry. A son would have been money in the bank. This screaming little female will make him even poorer than he already is.

Hundreds of miles to the south, in Madhya Pradesh, a moonscape of rocks and white, the sunbleached earth is teeming with workers who arrived with the dawn. They are bonded labourers - slaves by any other name. Prem Chauhan is one of them. Ten years ago he took a loan of 500 rupees (£20) from a landlord called Ram Singh, In return he labours 10 hours a day for a ration of rice.

Further north, this time in Delhi, it is early evening at a huge rubbish bin on Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg. Five-year-old boys are scavenging for metal from the reeking garbage. Down the road they are working at a garage, fixing car tyres. Further afield in the tourist area of Connaught Circus they are cleaning shoes and dashing between smoke-belching cars and buses, selling cigarettes.

All over the city - all over India, indeed - boys and girls are hard at work, sweeping floors, washing up, toiling in factories and labouring on the land. Still in Delhi, the evening rush

hour has begun. Buses and trains are packed. A young woman screams and spins round to stare angrily at a grinning young fool who is groping at her body, not just a surreptitious little touch but an offensive, long-lasting lunge.

He is an Eve-teaser, an overexcited but not particularly dangerous breed of Indian male driven mad by the paradox of being granted mighty authority over women except when it comes to the mysterious, terrifying and taboo matter of sex. Eve-teasing, an expression that many women regard as pejorative, has been banned by law in Delhi, so endemic has it become.

These little vignettes of Indian life, repeated countless times every day in every corner of the land, illustrate a simple, incontrovert-ible fact: legislation against some

prejudice, humiliation, cruelty, human degradation and institunuman degradation and institu-tionalized robbery is a farce, an annoying little fly to be swatted. Regardless of a battery of laws, life goes timelessly on, unflustered and unchanged by eruptions of rage from educated Indians fight-ing a page boxeless structure to preing a near-hopeless struggle to put a human face on a society that can seem so monstrously insulting not only to a foreigner's eye, but also

The baby girl just born to Satish Ram will be put to work as soon as she is able to clean, fetch and cook. She will not attend school. When a husband has been found she will move away for the first time, a submissive, downtrodden crea-ture, who will fall under her mother-in-law's unassailable authority in the shared home.

The family might return time and again to the girl's father for more dowry money - although dowry is illegal - because the first crippling handout was not, in retrospect, enough. If the money is not forthcoming, the girl might be beaten, worked half to death, underfed - or burned alive.

Satish Ram's biggest regret is that he did not have the means to submit his wife to an amniocentesis test, widely used in India solely to determine if the foctus is female, although that practice, too, is illegal. If the child in the womb is female, an abortion is performed. Additionally, newborn girls are often deliberately neglected so that they will die. The net result is that there are today about 1,000 males for every 900 females in India.

Satish Ram's daughter will marry into terrifying uncertainty. Her in-laws may cruelly abuse her or warmly embrace her. Millions are unlucky. Delhi police have a special unit called the Crimes Against Women Cell, which registered 2.344 cases of family abuse in 1988 alone. Nearly 1,000 of them concerned women who had been set alight in revenge for inadequate dowry payments.

Satish Ram, still bemoaning the arrival of a daughter, can draw not an ounce of hope from the Dowry Prohibition Act, passed in 1961 and tightened in 1984 and 1986. When the time comes to marry off his daughter, he will have to pay. So the law, for Satish Ram, does not exist.

Assume, for a moment, that he decided to lodge a complaint against a dowry-demanding farn-ily. If he managed to find his way Parents in India fear the future when a daughter is born. Christopher Thomas tells how women and workers remain oppressed despite the new legislation



labyrinth - no doubt having to pay bribes along the way - he might actually manage to submit the required mountain of paperwork to the appropriate court.

But he is illiterate, so he would have to employ expensive help. Then it would be at least two years before the case was heard, given the ponderous, overburdened nature of the Indian judiciary.

Finally, the day is appointed. Satish Ram puts on a clean dhoti, stands erect and terrified in court, and is told some gibberish about the case being adjourned sine die because the accused party has not turned up. By now, Satish Ram

would have incurred the wrath of his own daughter and, what is more, of his village. His daughter would regard dowry as her right, her security, the only inheritance she may ever get, despite a law that entitles her to a share of her father's property, near-worthless though it is.

From the iniquity of dowry, consider the horror of slavery. Tens of thousands of people are bonded labourers, their imprisonment made possible by unseemly alliances between bureaucrats politicians and powerful land-lords. The Bonded Labour (Abolition) Act of 1976 has managed to free some people. A much larger number remains enslaved. A widow called Sonbai has been a bonded labourer for 40 years because her husband had taken out a loan of 100 rupees, equivalent to about £4.



She receives a kilo and a half of rice a day when work is availabic. When work is not available, she says she

lives off fallen grains picked from the fields of rich farmers. The government supposedly grants 6.250

rupees (£250) for the rehabilitation of every freed bonded labourer. An immediate payment of 500 rupees (£20) is meant to be made after the authorities hand the labourer a "freedom certificate". Sita Ram, aged 15, was freed last year, but did not receive a

penny. "My father was freed along with me, so they're saying only one person per family will get it," he said. The law, however, is explicit: everyone should be entitled to freedom money.

From bonded labour, to child labour. The law in this case is called the Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act

1986, which lays down those jobs that children must not do. It is not meant to ban child labour, merely to control it. Children must not work with poisonous substances, make bidis (cigarettes), work in carpet-weaving or cement-mamfacturing. They are banned from construction sites, ash pats, posts

and railways. It is all utter nonsense. Children work in every sphere. Not one prosecution has been brought. The National Policy on Child Labour reported to parliament a few years ago that employers found children agile, swift and able to sustain arduous labour for hours. Of 18,000 employees in 252 glass factories that were studied, 3,000 were aged 13 and under. No medical treatment was offered to

anybody, despite the hazards. The carpet industry employs vast numbers of children, mostly as weavers, because hand-woven carpets fetch a greater price than those made by machines.

According to the government's figures, more than 10,000 children work in the booming gem polishing industry. To start with, they are not paid at all. By the age of 14 they receive around £8 a month.



this litarry of unfettered social ills, we take a an's lot. If she is educated she can

departments and rise to the heights of industry. The other 99 per cent of women sink beneath the surface of a man's world. Almost furtively, an uneasy procession of women marched recently down Raj Path, the hig

wide avenue in the centre of Delhi. to demand "liberation". Their cry for freedom was not meant in the Western sense. They were seeking only equal pay with men, not the broader rights of

equality. The demonstrators said they would march again and again, while steadily expanding their areas of protest. They hope, eventually, that a man like Satish & Ram will be happy to have a daughter. Their voice is a tiny, inaudible squeak of protest in the deafening roat of tradition.

But perhaps, given time, parliament will pass a high-sounding law to take women out of their inferior position. It can then sit on the same dusty shelf as the laws governing dowry, child labour, slavery and Eve-teasing.

#### **OUTDOORS**

#### Ronald Faux on the singular lure of climbing mountains

s winter grips the high ground of Britain, glazground or primary, granding cliffs with ice and choking the steep gullies of Ben Nevis and its Highland neighbours with hard-packed snow, the 70 or more rescue teams that cover the mountain areas of Britain are standing by for an inevitable crop of winter accidents.

It is hard for the nonmountaineer to understand that when the hills are clearly at their most dangerous on these short, Arctic days, they are also most attractive to climb. On a crisp, winter day, old and familiar mountain shapes are transformed under a disguise of snow.

Valleys remembered as picnic spots in summer become potential targets for avalanche, streams that burbled gently in July are frozen into baroque sculptures, and the simplest pathway may have a

dangerous coating of ice.

Mountaineers have answered this challenge with some ingenious equipment designed to protect themselves and make a hard life easier and more comfortable. Of course, these improvements to safety are being used to make feasible the ever harder and more challenging winter climbs, which is the way of all progress.

With around 30 deaths in an average winter and scores of injuries ranging from broken bones to cases of exposure, there is no doubt that this is a risk sport, although climbers will argue strongly that the risks can be minimized to an acceptable level - and that without some risk, the quality of the experience would be

Too often, the rescue teams say, climbers drive up from the south to North Wales, Cumbria or Scotland and feel they have to justify the jour-ney by doing something, even when conditions make that

There is no shortage of advice on the weather a climber is likely to encounter in any of the mountain areas of Britain, although forecast may not always match reality, and in bad conditions British hills rival the Alps for danger. The Alps do not have a

monopoly on avalanches or mountain storms," a mountain rescue team member in Aviemore pointed out. What British hills may

lack in altitude they gain in latitude, and we get some very severe problems in Scotland when a certain meteorological

# Getting high on peril



Ice cream: special tools show their worth in the Cairngorms

formula happens. With more and more people out on the hills in winter, the likelihood of more accidents is bound to

There have been four deaths aiready this year in Scotland and lesser accidents, a number of them involving "Munro baggers" - mountain walkers out to "collect" all the Scottish

hills over 3000ft. In good conditions, the rewards of a winter mountain day more than match the

risks. At first light on a January morning the dark buttresses of the Three Sisters of Glencoe brood over the valley. The snow line is low, the cold intense, and stars are fading from a clear sky. Breath hangs as fog in the still air as we make the last adjustments to rucksacks packed with rope, axes, crampons, ice screws, and the modern ironmongery needed to combat a winter mountain

Thermal socks, thermal underwear, quilted jackets and wind-proof "outer-shell" clothing and gloves blunt the freezing dawn temperatures. On the steep climb into the Lost Valley below Gearr Aonach there is an increasing sense that we are entering hostile terrain. The first obstacle is where a stream draining across the our path into a deep gully has frozen into an ice sheet. We strap on crampons, spiked metal plates that act like tyre chains on rubber boot soles.

The climb we are aiming for is a 1,000ft gully cutting into the east face of Gearr Aonach. The snow is hard and firm where it chokes the deep split and we move at first together, balancing the time saved and the security of experience and good conditions against the risks of being unroped.

or two hours we move like this in a slow rhythm of kicks and stabs with our ice axes, until a wall of black rock splits the gully and creates a steeper more intimidating angle.

We rope together and apply the gadgets that pin one man to the ice, safeguarding the rope, whilst the other cuts across the steep ice-glazed section with some 800ft of gully plunging directly below.

Three firm, smooth moves on crampon tip and the angle cases. We are on safe ground again, but exhilarated by those few airy moves and successfully caging the danger. In a short time we break out from the gully on to the

summit to relax, coil the rope

and admire the silent wilder-

ness towards Bidean nam Bian, the regional Everest, which looks vastly more than We are alone, the snow is untrodden, and in this polar calm we might be the first people ever to set foot on this summit. That, I suppose, is

# Salisbury's race to the finish

Simon Tait reports on an ambitious

plan that met its deadline - just

lthough Salisbury Museum, or Salisbury and South Wiltshire Museum to give it its full title, was founded in 1860 in the great Victorian flurry of enthusiasm for museum building, it is a success story of the 1980s. It was set up as an indepen-dent trust, based on the medi-

eval and later material which was unearthed when the city's ancient drainage channels were repaced by proper sewers. But despite its important collections, especially the Stonehenge material, which was and still is of international significance, it dozed fitfully in St Anne's Street, little known and little visited, in cramped and decaying surroundings. In a good year as many as 7,000 people might

Then, in 1978, the trustees decided that was not good enough. "I think they realized the significance of the collections warranted better hous-ing," says the curator, Peter Saunders. They looked to the most obvious focal point of the city, the cathedral, and found themselves the prospective lease-holders of one of the oldest buildings in the Cathe-

dral Close. King's House had been the Salisbury home of the abbots of Sherborne, and got its present name thanks to two visits to it by James 1 in 1610 and 1613.

"We negotiated with the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral, who wanted the buiding kept in public use rather than split up into flats," Saunders says. "Almost exactly 10 years ago we signed a lease and launched a public appeal for £300,000." In the end his ambitious scheme cost £700.000, but has just succeeded in its aim of increasing the annual number of visitors to 50,000 by the end of the decade. "It is a complicated building and we had to be very carefeul about adapting it for

museum use," Saunders says. The plan was to move in in 1981 and open a new gallery each year until 1989, and to do it they enlisted one of the bestknown design partnerships working in museums, Robin Wade and Pat Reid. "The appeal had a double effect," Saunders says. "Not only did it bring us £600,000 in three years, but it brought tremendous approval from the community and a lot of public interest and support."

The first gallery to open, in 1982, was dedicated to the medieval city, with a model of Old Sarum. It described how 13th-century Salisbury and its cathedral were founded in the valley below. Later acquisitions such as the Clarendon Palace head, a sculp-ture from the 1240s, and the stone goblet from the old cathedral, are complemented by that first "Drainage Collection" of the kinds of things medieval burghers threw out or lost in the cobbles - keys, buckles, cutlery, pilgrim badges, spurs and horse trap-

In the next year came not one, but three new galleries. The Stonehenge collection shows how and when the extraordinary construction was built, but not, of course, why - a question the display attempts to put into focus ready for the visitor's possible next stop, the monument

Then came the pre-history

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING: Shugborough, the ancestral seat of Lord Lichfield near Stafford, invites visitors to see how its fine collections of ceramics, silver, paintings and French furniture are conserved and cared for when the doors close to the public. Plus a Conservation of a Country

Shugborough, Milford, near Stafford (0889 881388). Mon-Fri 10.30sm-2.30pm, £1.50 per person plus £5 per party, Must book in advance.

# **MUSEUMS**



Medicine man: models of Dr Philip Neighbour and patient at Stitches in Time costume gallery

and a powerful negotiating

gallery, showing how Wilt- to house it, but eventually, shire man developed from a thanks to Saunders's energy Stone Age hunter-gatherer to a Saxon warrior through the archaeological discoveries garnered by the museum. Also in 1983 came the Pitt

Rivers Collection, which 10 years before had been the subject of a curatorial tug-oflove. This collection, by the same General Augustus Lane Fox Pitt Rivers of the ethnographical collections in Ox-ford, is a particular triumph for Saunders.

t was the general's own largely archaeological collection created from his Wessex estates, and had been on show at his home in Dorset. It closed in 1965 and by the early 1970s was in danger of being dispersed. The Department of the Environment expressed an interest, the British Museum wanted it. Dorchester Museum offered

**EXHIBITIONS** 

SHIP AHOY: 600 miniature ship nodels by R. Farnworth in a new permanent gallery. Passenger liners, cargo vessels, warships, terries and tugs represented in the difficult medium of cardboard in minute. accuracy at a scale of 1:1200. Merseyside Marisme Museum, Pier Head, Liverpool (051 207 0001). Open daily 10.30am-5.30pm. Admission £1.60, 75p

committee chaired by Lord Wolfenden, it came to Salis-bury in 1974, snatched from the jaws of the sale rooms.
In 1984 the trust became a company limited by guarantee, to put it on a sounder financial footing; there followed a ceramics and glass gallery, and then a gallery for the Brixie Jarvis Wedgwood Collection. They completed the series almost on the final bell when they opened Stitches In Time, a costume gallery, on December 9. "The idea was not to do the usual kind of costume display, which doesn't really appeal to younger vistors and children, but to use the costumes in settings which tell you something about local social history as well," says Saunders. So real characters from Salis-

TURNER'S TRIUMPH: The third in the annual series of watercolour shows
watercolour shows
concentrates on 1810-1820, a
time of professional triumph
and personal contentment, cultiminating in his first trip to litaly in 1819. The brilliant light made an enormous impact on him; his art was never the hm; ms art was never the same again. Tate Gallery, Millbank (01-821 1313). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.50pm; Sun, 2-5.50pm. Admission free. Jan 31-April 1.

bury's past are depicted, such

John Shaw

and presenting one of his violins - an actual model - to a customer, there is Captain Swayne and his family from the early 19th century, a curate of Tisbury out for a stroll in the Edwardian close. To join in the Museums Association's centenary year, they devised an exhibition called "A Few of our Favourite Things", and wrote to 100 international personalities asking them to pick an object acquired by the museum over the last century, only the Prime Minister failed to respond, Lord Montagn of Beaulieu chose Scout Motors, the Salisbury manufacturers of which there is a photo-graphic archive; the Duchess of York, patron of Museums Year, chose a Turner watercolour, Nigel Lawson, who was still Chancellor of the Exchequer then, chose a medieval silver penny; the Arch-bishop of Canterbury chose a silver porringer; Edward Heath, almost a next-door neighbour, picked a piece of Chelsea porcelain; Terry Wogan's fancy was for a Sheraton table, and Charles Wilson, editor of The Times,

as the violin-maker Benjami

Banks, in 18th-century dress

chose a rhinoceros tooth. "It was one of the most successful things we've ever done, and brought us a 43 per cent increase in visitors over the same three months in 1988," Saunders says.

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III, Internal Market and Industrial Affairs, which is one of the most exciting and dynamic departments at this Tam also very lucky because my boss has given me a lot to do and has allowed me to attend various meetings and conferences, including sitting m on the council of ministers

internal market meetings. Some of my other colleagues have found themseives given little or no work to do, and others have had Yery menial office jobs to Perform. It can be disappointing considering the com-Petition in getting a place on the scheme. Most stagiaires,

#### **OUT AND ABOUT**

Continuing his tour of Britain's top tourist attractions, Nigel Andrew tackles the stamina proving-ground - Windsor

# Castle right and proper

nd does the Queen sleep in this bed?" enquires the blue-haired lady from Houston, admiring the King's State Redchamber. They are used to this sort of thing at Windsor Castle.
"No madam," the attendant explains patiently, "the Royal Family live in their private apartments."

Other visitors — especially the Japanese - tend not to ask. They probably go home convinced they have seen the Queen's house. In fact, all they will have seen of the private apartments is the splendid view across the quadrangle of the upper ward. And the royals are seldom in, except during Ascot and the polo season.

there are more than enough other reasons for the huge influx of visitors to Windsor Castle (some 700,000 a year). It is a tremendously impressive building, fulfilling the most opulent expectations of what an English castle ought to look like. It condenses many centuries of royal history and conspicuous sumption (pomp and patronage) - and of course, it is conveniently close to London.

It is also all too close to Heathrow, as the visitor is reminded every three minutes by the roar of an overflying jumbo. But when you are out on the North Terrace enjoying the grand view across the playing fields of Eton (blue-haired question: "And was the battle of Waterloo won here?") you can at least try to block out such modern intrusions.

Windsor Castle really does look the part. Its mighty romantic skyline, all muscular towers and serried battlements, looms hugely over the town, like some magic survival from the age of chivalry. This is precisely the intended effect, but in sober fact that picturesque appearance owes as much to the big-spending monarchs of the early 19th century as to their medieval ancestors. The closer to it you get, the more apparent it becomes that Windsor is a castle kitted out in its Sunday best, clean-cut, spick and span, thoroughly comfortable and

Going through the gates is like entering a small town, with Tarmac roads, mysterious ranges of buildings in every direction, sign-posts everywhere, and a large resident population of sentries. attendants and officials. The hordes of visitors are not dense at this time of year, and there is ample space. I was only forced to a halt once in my visit, in the

over the world.

Twice yearly the Com-mission of the European

Communities runs a five-

month training course to teach

between 350 and 450 gradu-

ates how the European Com-

mission works and how EC

policy is formulated, enacted

and implemented, in a prac-

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training course is called) in Brussels together with 449 other graduates from 30 dif-

ferent countries. The training

scheme is unfortunately

poorly publicized in Britain and difficult to get into. Between 4,000 and 5,000

graduates apply for the places, and, after initial pre-selection, the remaining application

forms are printed in the blue

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So convenient for the shops: there is a great deal more to Windsor than the castle itself - if you have the energy left to explore the cobbled quarter at the gates, or Eton over the river

dinary feat of patriotic craftsmanship in miniature. It is worth the stop anyway.

The little town has its own church - almost a cathedral in scale - the sumptuous, exquisitely vaulted St George's Chapel. A wide, airy building, walled with glass and lined with splendid monuments, it is a high watermark of Perpendicular Gothic. Visitors are routed round the aisles, noting the well-lit points of interest, and through the Gothic forest of the Garter Stalls. Here I found a guide explaining to a bewildered group why Queen Victoria never outlawed lesbianism (no, I couldn't quite see the connection either).

After the glories of St George's Chapel, the stunning Victorian extravaganza of the Albert Meici a stroii around Mary's Dolls' House, that extraor- the charming 15th-century Horse- various forms of neo-Gothic, charming Hogarth of David Gar- deal more to Windsor than the

already be more than a little weary. But the tour has barely begun. Next comes the climb to the middle ward and the massive Round Tower, and on up to the North Terrace to see Queen Mary's Dolls' House and the exhibition of drawings. Here are Holbeins, Leonardos and Canalettos galore - but all in facsimile, as conditions in the gallery are not good enough to exhibit the originals. A pity this, but there are also very good, reasonably priced reproductions to be bought here.

Only now does the tour of the state rooms begin; and it is neither restful nor short. The first half takes you through a succession of interiors of enormous size and concussing splendour, mostly the work of George IV and his architects. All these moms

shoe Cloister, the visitor might souped-up and florid – and in the case of the Grand Reception Room, glitzy Louis XV - are overpowering in their splendour.

> hey strike no warmth from the visitor, but only inspire a cowed, dazzled respect. Perhaps that is the point of the state apartments of a royal castle. It certainly comes as a relief to pass into the smaller, more personal rooms which Charles II and Catherine of Braganza occupied. These lovely apartments, with their tapestries, glowing wood and richly wrought ceilings, are on a human scale. They draw you up to your proper height again.

Here hang the best of the Windsor pictures, and they are a magnificent collection - Van Dyck and Canaletto at their randest, a room full of Rubens

rick and his wife, and, so close you can stare into the depths of her face, Rembrandt's mother.

The paintings are minimally labelled, and both the Official Guide and the colour guidebook are notably reticent about the contents of rooms (and the hanging has changed since the latter was printed). No doubt this approach discourages dawdling and keeps the traffic flowing smoothly. Windsor Castle must be the only historic house in the country which actually routes its visitors by footbridge over the grand staircase on their way out. As you tramp across this curious plywood construction you see the next wave of visitors below you, surging up the stairs and into the state rooms.

If you have enough energy left you can spend the rest of the day discovering that there is a great

castle. The cobbled picture postcard quarter right by the castle is not the whole of it by any means, and the town - and Eton over the river - is well worth exploring at some length.

Bearing in mind that it has two other major crowd-pullers - the Windsor Safari Park, and Madame Tussaud's Royalty and Empire exhibition - it is not hard to see why Windsor is very much a top attraction. But at this time of vear, when the crowds are bearable, it really does make a rather magnificent day out - if you have the stamina.

 Windsor Castle state apartments ere open in winter, Mon-Sat, 10.30am-3pm, closed Sun. Ad-mission £2. St George's Chapel is open daily, 10.45am-3.45pm, Sun 2-3.45pm. Closed in January. Admission £1.50. Queen Mary's Dolls' House and Old Master Drawin state apartments. Admission £1.

Michael Bolton, a British student at Colorado University,

describes the hysteria and tragedy behind the big match

#### OUTINGS

THE TWELFTH KNIGHT - OR HARLEQUIN - OR WHAT YOU WILL: Mr Players — lately of Covent Garden — in a Victorian entertainment in the music hall tradition with acts including commedia dell'arte, juggiers, dancers, musicians, singers, plus a guided tour. Mulled wine and light refreshments included. Museum of London, London Wall, London EC2 (booking 01-600 3699 ext 211). Today, 6.45-8.45pm. Adult £5, child under 14 £3. Not suitable for the very young. **EPIPHANY CELEBRATIONS:** Today is the twelfth and final day of Christmas. In the Christian calendar it is also the Feast of the Epiphany — the manifestation of Christ to the wise men. Many services commemorate the event tomorrow, of which two of the biggest are the procession and carols in Sheffield Cathedral, 6.30pm; and Selbey Abbey, North Yorkshire, with an address by the Archdean of York, also 6.30pm. LONDON INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW: An enormous range of craft from dinghies, inflatables and sailboards to luxury yachts and power boats.

Earls Court Exhibition Centre, Warwick Road, London SW5. Until Jan 14. Weekends 10am-7pm, weekdays 10am-8pm. Adult £4.80, child £1.70. FIFTH INTERNATIONAL HOLIDAY

AND TRAVEL FAIR: 300 companies are present including airlines, tour operators, hotel groups, tourist offices. Masses of information, bookings taken, continuous entertainment for adults and children. Also tonight a firework display. National Exhibition Centre Birmingham. Today 10am-7pm, tomorrow 10am-6pm. Adult £2.50, senior citizen, child £1.

**HOLIDAY ON ICE: Most** spectacular show of its kind in the country, now in its 42nd edition. Brighton Centre, Brighton, East Sussex. Until Jan 21. Today performances at 2pm, 5pm, 8pm. Tomorrow 2pm and 5pm. Adults £5.75-£8.50. Child under 16 £2.90-£4.25. (Box office 0273 202881). THE NATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF GREAT BRITAIN: Edward Downes conducts the orchestra with John Lill on piano, in a programme of music by Prokofiev, Rachmaninov and

Barbican Hall, Barbican, Silk Street, London EC2. Today, 7.45pm. Tickets £3-£10. (Box office 01-638 8891).

STOP LAUGHING: Ra-Ra zoo's "human circus" — seven talented performers in feats of daring and Jackson's Lane Community

Centre, Archway Road, London N6. Today 7.30pm, tomorrow 2.30pm and 7.30pm. Adult £6, child under 16 £1.50. Box office (01-340

**CHRISTMAS CHARACTERS** WORKSHOP: Stories, films and Other short events about Twelfth workshops in which to create your own characters. Bethnal Green Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Road, London E2 (01-980 2415). Today 11am-1.30pm and 2-

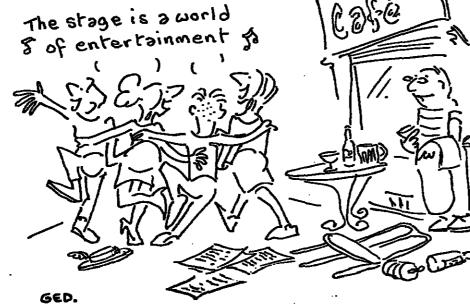
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#### **CAMPUS FROM ABROAD**

# All the world's a stage

country with more than 200 different types Louise Tookey on how the Commission of the European of beer is not a bad Communities is giving graduates a look into the future place to spend five months with fellow graduates from all



however, are given small projects which usually involve researching and then writing a report on an area of particular As there are no permanent

jobs offered after the stage and very few temporary contracts or extensions, the purpose of the scheme is difficult to fathom; especially after a long and uneventful day at work. It is certainly true that stagiaires are a cheap source of fairly high-calibre labour. We are paid only £80 per week and some do not even receive a

But this is a cynical view of awareness, understanding and also of EC policy among and dynamism are generated future decision-makers. This from being together at the is especially helpful to the Commission in the case of the stagiaires who come from non-member states.

opportunity to gain practical work experience in the Commission, and assists us in our

Careers.
To concentrate only on the

working aspect of the scheme, however, is to ignore the other opportunities it offers and which make it so special. It enables young people to meet each other and to live and work closely together. It is a mingling of cultures, a meeting of minds and an exchange of experiences and ideas, which has no parallel in university, school or possibly even working life.

For example, when the news of the lifting of travel restrictions for East Germans was announced, a few stagiaires did not merely discuss it over a beer, instead they hired a the scheme. For the Com- mini bus and drove to Berlin. mission, the stage is a pub- On their return, a conference licity exercise promoting and debate were organized and, later, a photographic knowledge of its workings and exhibition. Their spontaneity centre of the EC.

The social life is, therefore, important and most civil servants, and even the head of From the stagioires point of the training scheme, view, it gives us a unique encourage the events organized by the stagiaires; the cultural events, the visits to European cities and the speaker meetings as well as

Although my stage has shattered some of the more idealistic preconceptions that I had held about the Commission, it has none the less convinced me that I want to pursue a career in EC affairs. I have had to come to terms with the frustration of working in an organization that is dependent on other European and national organizations; and one that works mostly in two, but potentially in nine, different languages.

I have gained a lot from the stage. It has given me a new perspective. My horizons have been broadened through living in another European capital and the challenges of speaking and working in a different language. In many respects, it is an

unrealistic existence and one that will come to an end too soon, planting me firmly back on the real ground. But it is an experience I would not have swapped for all the former wine lakes of the EC.

• The Commission of the European Communities can be contacted at 8 Storeys Gate. London SW1

# Day the cheering died

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f course every aspiring American college has a football team and every American college has its homecoming — that once-a-year pageant when alumni are welcomed back and firmly embraced until their chequebooks fall, once again, into University hands.

But for the University of Colorado in Boulder, USA, this academic year's homecoming was rather exceptional with more to celebrate and more to reflect upon.

Homecoming, like most other weekends on campus, is dominated by the football game — this year played between the Colorado Buffaloes and Kansas University's Jayhawks. The floats paraded in front of CU's 55,000 capacity Folsom Stadium, many of them boldly displaying the motif of a buffalo killing a jayhawk (a strange and non-existent bird), making everyone well aware that at 9.30 am the tournament had already started.

CU football games exert a strange form of social attraction towards not just the campus but most of the state. so that going to "the game" is not the single sex spectator sport one might expect, but more of a true social occasion.

The extent of this attraction becomes apparent around 10.30 am (still three hours before the kick-off) when the huge stadium becomes surrounded by trucks and trailers and stationwagons parked and unloaded, dispensing beer, chicken wings and conversation to whomsoever might be vaguely interested.

Inside the stadium, 50-odd thousand people begin to look like 50 thousand odd people as game fever becomes apparent. Glenn Miller, a previous stu-Students in higher education

and sixth forms are invited to enter The Times Campus Critic competition for a £4,000 personal computer system. The winning critic will be the student who, in the opinion of the judges, writes the best

review of any entertainment

performance, either broadcast

or open to the public, between

dent at CU, would probably approve of the big band sound of the Colorado Buffaloes rooms are rarely less than full Golden Marching Band, though I am not sure he would have chosen Gary Glitter's seemingly greater aversion Rock 'n' Roll as a suitable (than in England) to what my anthem. The band's notorious 8 am rehearsals, like most only call "the R word" other ills of the academic relationships. Here strength

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vulnerable. That is why the duced a kind of new awareness free-weights and resistance of vulnerability simply because of his athletic prowess and vitality. Indeed, curiously for a town which prides itself on a "liberal" attitude to race, the football team is the only truly recognized, accepted, arena for black students. Boulder's pretence does seem to 20 little further than lipservice. Consequentially the attempt by university authorities to dedicate a floor of the University Memorial Centre to Aunese as a racial minority student, could not detract from his true celebrated minority status - that of Buff quarterback.

GED.

 Michael Bolton is an undergraduate from the University of East Anglia spending a year at the University of Colorado.

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# Taste of things to come

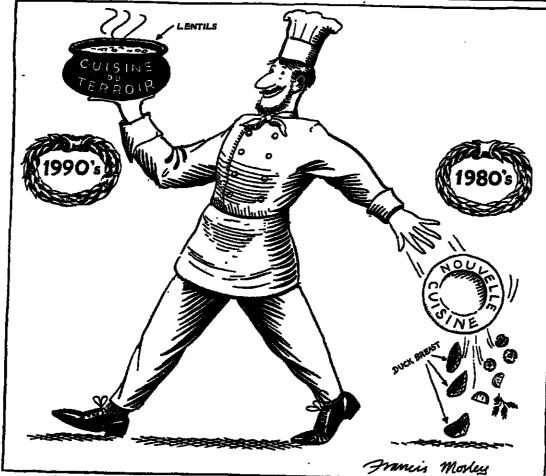
n Boxing Day, Chan-nel 4 transmitted a programme that should not have been allowed past the cutting room door. Its subject was Elizabeth David. Its tone was one of arch sycophancy - but this is not what made the audience cringe with embarrassment. What did the trick was the chummy colinsion between the presenter and the various encomiasts to the effect that they were votaries of some exclusive cult

This, of course, was rot. Mrs David has, for more than 30 years, been the best-known writer on food in Britain. No doubt it was the fact that she bad not previously appeared on television that prompted her fans to mount such a bathetic performance. Any way, whatever the reason, the thing must have come as a godsend to that still sizeable majority of her compatriots who think that foreign food is muck and that champions of foreign food are a bunch of smug taste-freaks. Why should this great popularizer be dragged into a gastro-ghetto?

I was going to say that the programme had probably set back the cause of serious gastronomy by a decade, but since it was so inept I cannot believe that anyone without a professional interest would have watched it to the end. And I hope it will put no one off Mrs David's books, which look like being the key Anglophone texts for restaurant chefs of the Nineties -the books, unlike the paean to her, are unpretentious and precise.

Any mutt who has just cottoned on to the death of nouvelle cuisine and has heard about this culinary fashion called cuisine du terroir need only equip himself with French Provincial Cooking in order to keep up with, if not ahead of, the game. The craze for retro which afflicted just about everything in the 80s, has come late to professional kitchens. The fact that the mutt's terroir may be Surbiton or Balsall Heath does not matter. This is fashion - all those girls wearing nautically iconized clothes a couple of years ago were not WRNS, you know. As fashions go cuisine du terroir is averagely ridiculous. The neces-sity for a cooking based in the products of a particular locality and in that locality's traditions and culture disappeared, like vernacular buildings, with the

Jonathan Meades makes a plea for higher standards in 1990



coming of the train, the internal combustion engine, the airplane. In the great cities of the West and, increasingly, in provincial towns, a cook enjoys unprecedented choice. So why are sophisticated metropolitan chefs pretending to be peasants from the Vaucluse or Lombardy? Part of it is herd instinct, part of it is a paradoxical rejection of inter-

nationalism. This new peasant cookery is a subcultural cousin of the international trend towards nationalism, towards the specifically local. Of course it is a pose, but it is a welcome one. And one that should benefit punters throughout the coming decade.

Nouvelle cuisine was all very well in the hands of the masters, but at seventh remove it was not too clever (and isn't; it still hangs on, mainly in hotels here and there). This new stuff - which is actually the old stuff, given a twist

- is easier to execute. It is folk cookery rather than haute cuisine. It is certainly not moron-proof but it does not require such obvious virtuosity to get it right.
Lentils futures must be a good

bet - that pulse is already the formulaic token of peasant intent. Are we in, too, for a glut of daubes, cassoulets, oxtails? I wish it, I will it - but I doubt it. Cassoulet, properly made, is a very expensive dish; oxtail, properly boned, is labour-intensive. More to the point, too many restaurants can only survive if they allow their menu to be determined by industralized catering suppliers. This is why, say, the duck breast has been ubiquitous throughout the last seven or so years.

Undoubtedly there are now more estimable restaurants in the UK than there have ever been before. This has come about despite the big chains. Chain

ownership is the British norm, the way family ownership is the French norm. And therein lies the real and probably unbridgeable gap - the everyday establishments are in the wrong hands.

A boycott of chain-owned establishments would be a constructive start to the decade. Until the middleground is reclaimed, English restauration is going to remain like a pyramid founded on air - the top is in place, but most of the structure beneath is missing. This is attributable to the demands of business entertainment, to the self-deluding vanity of proprietors aiming for upmarket positions, and, in London, to overheads which, already high, will go through the roof with the rate revaluation. This section of the market is becoming overcrowded - witness the emptiness of most hotel dining rooms, witness too the closure after three

months of One Sixteen Knightsbridge, a restaurant which might have succeeded had it opened in 1985 rather than in 1989. There is simply not so much money about as there was five years ago.

One sort of inroad to the middleground is the wine bar. The generic name is off-putting and needs recoining but there are certain places which have shown what can be done. They have formed only a tributary through-out the 80s. With luck they will swell to fill the mainstream of this already five-day-old decade.

Among the most successful of these not-quite-restaurants has been 192 in Notting Dale, its first - or one of its first - chefs was Alastair Little. The current stoveoperative suggests that she is capable of recreating the standard Little achieved. The elementaryschool post modern decorative scheme may now be looking tired but the cooking is fresh, thoughtful, absolutely unpretentious and very agreeably priced. If only the girls who served it had been chosen for competence rather than

The following, plus an un-deserved tip, came to £42: pheasant leg stuffed with a herby, porky forcement and served with the inevitable lentils and a slightly too tart sauce; lamb's breads (which are too rarely used - they are cheap) with browned onions and artichokes; goat cheese in properly cooked filo pastry (unusual that filo pastry is so persistently mis-handled it should be abandoned); a creamy fennel and celeriac soup; spatchcocked quail with chopped chicory, a fine pear and almond tart; a bizarre and toothsome bread and butter pudding made with the Italian raisin and peel bread called panettone.

With alcohol instead of water the bill would have been £50 - but this was a meal for three people. Two people drinking wine could lunch for what we paid. It does not compare favourably with the commonplace 75 franc menus in Paris suburbs, but in London cooking of this standard at this price is rare. These are the lines along which restaurateurs of the 90s should be thinking 192 is as sound a model as any for 1992.

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Stars - up to a maximum of 10 are for cooking rather than swags and chandeliers. Prices are for a three-course meal for two. They include an aperitif and modest wine in the case of French places, tea in in the case of French places, team the case of oriental ones and so on. Prices change: they usually go up. Dishes also may have changed—they are given only as an indication of the establishment's repertoire. I accept no responsibility for disappointments and claim no credit for happy surprises, Always phone first. JM.

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Invertociny Castle Torkindy, Fort William, Highland Region (0397 2177) \*\*\*\*

An extraordinary Victorian time capsule which tries to be more country house than hotel. The service is quite something — a uniformed platoon greet diners who, inevitably, have difficulty negotiating the messed ranks. The interior of the muscular baronial pile is impressive — hectares of penelling, hundreds of dead stags, heads, overwought furniture by Louis the Decorator and Louis the Highlander. The satting beneath Ben Nevis is also more than starting. The cooking is regulation issue houry hotel stuff — all pretty well cooked but lacking any individual stamp; the meat, however, especially the beef, is first rate. £100.

The Colonia 25 High Street, Glasgow 1 (041 552

A elightly gloomy establishment whose ambitious cooking tends to be marred by overcomplication. Dishes invertably have a couple too many ingredients. Simpler things such as roast duck, fish consommé and the puddings are, however, not bad at all. 285.

Plane Victoire 10 Victoria St, Edinburgh 1 (031 225 1721) \*\*\*

Chaotic, cramped, noisy, animated bistro in Edinburgh Old Town. The cooling, within its limitations, is mostly pretty good and is excellent value for money. Scallops with mussel money and in the mussel money and the money is in the money. The angular is limited to samon, halibut with mussels, pork with mange sauce. The service is liable to

On A82, two miles south of inverness (0463 230512)

The atmosphere is that of a guest house that has come up in the world. The piece is rather homely, the cooking is not — it attempts more than it can deliver and seems rejuctant to keep things simple. When the sound ingredients are not mucked around, the results are polessing. Excelent wines, good views of the River Ness and the Caledonian Canal. 250-280.

The Old Monastery Drybridge, Buckle, Banfishire (0542 32660)

More a re-building than a conversion, this spacious and handsome

establishment looks down across Pict land to the Moray Firth. The cooking tends towards provincial over-elaboration, but is on target with the simpler dishes. The wine list is pretly good, the all-fernale service is charming though with tendencies towards the nicest kind of bossiness. Sim

nicest kind of bossiness. £60. The Chempany Inn Nr Linlithgow, Lothlan (050 888 4532/4388)

The ne plus ultra of the steek house. A very strange outfit indeed. The meet is "grown" by the owners but is, sometimes, carelessly cooked. The gravactics is the best in Britain. The service is charchy, pretentious. A genuine oddity and one that is worth risking if you can afford £100.

COVENT GARDEN

27 Wellington Street, London WC2 (01-240 5269) \*\*\*\*

Fashionable basement done cut to look like Milan or Turin of the early 1950s. Among the stop four Italian places in London. Most dishes are of Piedmontese or Lombardian provenance: sweethreads with shalk chicken with olives and tornations. It successfully combines rusticity with refinement. The attention to detail is

Neal Street Restaurant 26 Neal Street, London WC2 (01-836 8368) \*\*\*

The long menu promises much, but only rarely delivers. The cooking is basically tailian and is certainly fairly inventive in its aspirations. But the execution is not too hot. The place is littered with all that was fashlonable in art in 1988.

Café Pelican 45 St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-379 0309/0259)

Large pseudo-French "brasserie" whose efforts at sophisticated dishes are usually woeful, but whose steak and ohips, Toulouse sausages and the like are sound enough. 240.

Mélange 59 Endell Street, London WC2 (01-240 8077)

Dutch owned place with a "youngish" atmosphere of eager informality, and art school decor — like Amsterdam without the squalor. The cooking is unpretentious and sometimes pretty good — Gruyère and spinach in pastry, duck with a sauce of berries and hone

1a Henrietta Street, London WC2 (01-836 7061)

Grand and old-feshioned basement. The cooking has one idiom which is that of super-richness. Tournedos Rossiri, sweethreads with a heavy mest sauce, extravagent sweets, good wines and mostly amiable service. A mecca for corporate diners and loud men with florid cheeks. £124.

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The Soil Association considers John Chevallier Guild of Aspall Hall, near Debenham, Suffolk, one of the best organic apple producers

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#### **FOOD**

# Upsetting the apple-cart

heading for British shores which should bring a feeling of relief to environmentally conscious apple lovers. A container of Red Delicious organic apples from Washington State is on its way to our stores.

The shiny red apples will be on sale in British super-markets until the arrival of next autumn's harvest of British-produced organic apples. The container-load arriving next week signals the first time British shoppers will be able to buy organic apples all year round.

Organically grown apples are available from supermarkets such as Sainsbury and Safeway, as well as from wholefood outlets and even by mail order.

Consumers may wonder why organic produce - still accounting for less than one per cent of the total fruit and vegetable market in the UK, though growing fast - costs so much more than non-organic. Sainsbury sells organic produce in more than 150 of its stores. American or Canadian organic apples sell at £1.25 a pound, compared with nonorganic British or French apples at 45p a pound,

One reason is lack of government support at the transition stages from chemicalbased to organic agriculture. It takes three to four years to establish an organic apple orchard. Problems of pest control explain much of the

Growing "topfruit" such as apples and pears organically is still pioneer work. "When you grow perennials." says Roger Rendall, production director of Hill Farm, Boxford, Suffolk, "the risk is great. You get last year's disease. It's not like potatoes or carrots where you plant a fresh crop each year."
Kim Wilson-Gough is foun-

Association, which markets direct to consumers. He has 10,000 apple trees at Whitestone Farm near Totnes in Devon, producing between 100 and 250 tons a year of apples. Wilson-Gough says: "People are crying out for organic food. I had a letter from one woman saying.'I haven't dared eat apples for a

Demand for organic fruit shows strong growth, writes Lesley Abdela



Apple-picking in Suffolk: intensive labour raises fruit prices in the country. He has been to consumers by mail order.

associated with organic growing for 30-odd years. Our whole farm is grown on a commercial organic basis about 75 acres in properly managed racre to put in new orchards. Labour is the main "As organic farmers, our

returns are the same as conventional growers, but our production levels will never be quite as good. It simply costs more to produce orga-Organically grown apples are not the perfect-looking

specimens we have become used to finding in the stores. Rendall says: "When you go back to nature, apples become bumpy, misshapen and even have skin blemishes. This doesn't affect the eating quality. In fact organic fruit tastes

Impressed by a scheme he saw in the US last autumn, Wilson-Gough is now experimenting with marketing direct

In the US the local community discusses with growers what it wants, and the farmer grows it. I'd like 1,000 to 2,000 families who want apples grown in a certain way - then I can agree a price with them and go off and farm knowing what my income is, what I can do and what I can experiment

reen consumers also

want apple juice and cider vinegar made from organically grown apples. The best-known organic apple juices are Copella, Sweetapple and Aspall, all from Suffolk. At Boxford, Roger Rendall explains; "We grow organic apples primarily to sell as fresh apples, but anything that does not meet EC apple standards in appear-ance — misshapen or bumpy, for example - we put into juice. Three hundred thousand bottles out of our five million bottles and cartons a year are organic apple juice."

ish Government has shown little or no interest or support in safety, costs, or research in organic farming. The Organic Farmers and Growers, a cooperative of 210 farmers. would like to see a greater commitment by government to encouraging organic farming. Colin Ware, the agricultural services manager, says: "We would welcome a subsidy from the Government to help farmers over the transition period from conventional to organic farming. In the US, the strong consumer lobby has forced the American government to support organic farming."

Many growers feel the Brit-

Ware also wants to see more safety enforcement in the use of chemicals, starting with an end to the secrecy surrounding the agro-chemical industry. "I have in front of me an article from an American periodical which gives precise details on the side effects of certain agrochemicals, not only on human cancers but on reproduction, on contamination of water and soil, their effects on fish, birds and bees, and persistence in the soil. In the UK this is classified as 'prolected information by Government, and as commercially sensitive information by industry." At the moment consumers

are understandably confused. What does "organic" really mean? Under the Single European Act, standards for organic produce across Europe are now being harmonized, but at present classifications remain confused. The Soil Association organic standard is the best-known symbol, followed by that of the Organic Farmers and Growers. Roger Rendall explains: "Organic Farmers and Growers is eared to commercial growers. The Soil Association, founded in 1946, is more geared to garden crops and market

The Ministry of Agriculture has asked Food for Britain to set up a UK register of organic food standards. By November, we should all be able to look for the UKROFS symbol to assure us that we are eating apples grown to a nationally

recognized organic standard. Meanwhile, Britain's fast growing army of health-conscious consumers and the lack of home-grown supplies mean that shiploads of North American organic apples will be sailing into British ports for years to come.

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1/2 tsp freshly ground black pepper

1-2tbsp olive oil, or use a non-

1lb/455g chestnuts, boiled and

1/4 tsp ground cinnamon

20 small onions, peeled

11/slb/680g small potatoes,

%tsp ground mace

scrubbed or peeled

stick frying pan

1 bay leaf

1 sprig sage

1 sprig parsley

11/2pts/850ml dry cider

2tbsp finely chopped parsley

Trim any excess fat from the pork

chops. Put the flour, seasoning and spices in a bag, and shake the

chops in the seasoned flour until lightly dusted. Fry the chops, a few

at a time, until browned all over,

and put them to one side. Brown

the onions. Put half the onions,

potatoes and chestnuts in the

bottom of a casserole and arrange

the pork chops on top. Cover with

the rest of the vegetables. If you

cannot get small potatoes, cut larger ones into pieces. Tie the herbs together, and tuck down in

the pot. Pour on enough cider to

come almost to the top of the

vegetables. Bring to the boil, cover

1tbsp melted butter

1 sprig thyme

2 apples

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the western Christmas calendar and the day on which we take the decorations down. It's also a Saturday, which provides an excuse to have another party. One of the nicest parties I went

to last year was a Fête des Rois held at Le Meridien hotel in London. What was so stylish, even more than the champagne, the delectable cold and hot canapes, and the dancing on a tiny dance floor, was that it was held from 10pm until midnight, which made it seem even more glamorous than it already was.

Galette des Rois, the flaky almond filled pastry, traditional on this feast day, was served and the person finding the China bean was made king of the feast and led

'Fabophile" is a word I have heard used to describe the French at this time of year. The feve, or bean, hidden in the cake is no longer the ordinary dried légume but may be a collector's piece of porcelain or even 18-carat gold. Crowns, figures and even maps of France replace the bean. A famous Parisian baker has them made to his own design, representing miniature country loaves. The bean, originally the voting counter at the Roman feast of Saturnalia, used to elect the king of the evening. Gradually the pagan ritual was adopted and adapted to suit the festival of Epiphany.

In Italy, a relatively new public holiday has been designated by the children's name of La Befana, the good fairy who brings sweetmeats and other presents on January 6. We were in Lucca, in northern Tuscany, one year at La Befana, and I remember the special crisp biscuits baked for the occasion, strewn with coloured sugar crystals or hundreds and thousands.

In Britain, too, we have special food for celebrating Twelfth Night in the form of Twelfth Night cakes. These are rich mixtures containing dried fruit, crystallized fruit and almonds, not unlike some of the cake recipes I have given in previous weeks, and I thought it might be nice to give the French version of Twelfth Night cake, as it is very easy and requires few ingredients.

The galette is best served warm - and do warn guests if there is a "bean" or other object buried in it.

Thinking of Lucca reminded me of a very good soup we ate there, zuppa alla frantoiana, the frantoio being the place where olives are crushed to make oil. Since beans are one of its main ingredients, it seems appropriate to include it in today's recipe. But the main reason for doing so is that it is a warming and nourishing bowlful on a cold January day.

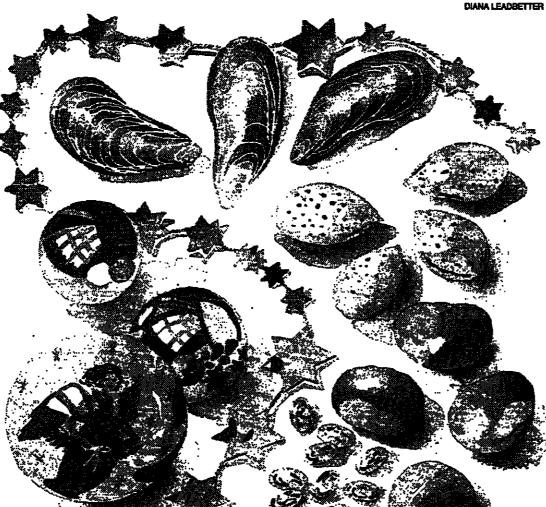
The pork and chestnut casserole is also very seasonal, pork being a traditional meat for serving at the beginning of the year, and chestnuts still good and plentiful.

For a lighter dish, I recommend the cod with mussels, both of which are also at their best in the middle of winter. If you cannot get either of the herbs I have suggested, parsley, celery or watercress can be substituted - stalks to flavour the stock and leaves finely chopped for garnish.

Zuppa alls frantolena (Tuscan bean and cabbage soup) (serves 2 or 3)

2 rashers smoked streaky bacon

1 onion, peeled and thinly sliced



THE TIMES COOK

# Last of the great feasts

½lb/230g pre-soaked haricot, cannellini or borlotti beans \_\_\_\_

1½pts/850ml stock or water %lb/230g shredded cabbage

plnch dried oregano 1 bay leaf 1 celery stalk, trimmed and sliced

salt and pepper 2-3 thick slices dried or lightly toasted wholemeal bread 2-3tbsp extra virgin olive oil

freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Discard the rind from the bacon, which is then cut into matchsticks. Fry them gently in a heavy saucepan until the fat runs. Fry the add the beans and stock. Cover and simmer gently for an hour. Add the cabbage, herbs and celery, and cook for another 30-40 minutes, or until the beans are tender. Top up with water or stock if

necessary. Season to taste. Put a slice of bread in the bottom of each soup bowl and pour olive oil over it. I find that two- or three-day old bread, just allowed to harden off, is better than toasted fresh bread, which softens in the hot soup too quickly. Pour the boiling soup into the bowls, and serve the Parmesan

cheese and extra olive oil separately.

Cod with mussels and herbs (serves 6) 3lb/1.35kg mussels

%pt/140ml dry white wine 6-8 dill or coriander stalks small onion, finely chopped 6 x 6 to 8oz/170-230g pieces of

cod fillet or cod cutlet salt and pepper %lb/340g leeks

1-2oz/30-60g unsalted butter 1 heaped tosp finely chopped dill

4tbsp cream (optional) Scrub the mussels under cold barnacles with the back of an old knife. Rinse and put them in a large, lidded saucepan with the wine, herb stalks and onion. Put on the lid and place the saucepan over a high heat for two to three minutes, just sufficient to steam open the mussels. Strain the cooking juices through a fine sieve and reserve it. When the mussels are cool enough to handle, remove from their shells and place in a

bowl covered with cling film to prevent them from drying out. Skin the fish fillets, and season lightly with salt and pepper. Put to one side while you prepare the leeks. Cut off the roots and the green top, and remove the coarse outer layers. Then either slice into thin rings or cut into 3in/7.5cm lengths; split and shred into fine strips. Wash thoroughly to get rid

of any soil, and dry in paper

Melt the butter in a large heavylidded frying pan and sweat the leeks until just tender. Push to one side of the pan, and add the cod fillets in a single layer. Cover and cook the fish gently until done to your liking. With a fish slice, carefully lift out the pieces of fish, and keep them covered in a warm place. Add the mussel juice to the pan, and boil it up to reduce it cream if using it, and cook for two to three minutes more.

Add the mussels, and let them just heat through before spooning sauce, leeks and mussels over the cod and serving immediately.

Monkfish, haddock, plaice fillets and other white fish are all very good cooked in this way with leeks and mussels.

Pork cooked in cider with chestnuts and potatoes (serves 6 to 8) 3lb/1.35kg spare rib chops

and simmer very gently or cook in a low oven until the meat is done, Peel and core the apples and slice into rings; blanch them until tender, and arrange on top of the casserole. Brush with melted but-

ter, and finish off under the grill to just caramelize the apples. Sprinkle with parsley and serve.

If you prefer to have a thicker sauce, strain off the liquid before you add the apple. Boil until reduced to the thickness you require, pour back over the meat

and proceed with the apples. This dish is best followed by a firm, crisp winter salad. Fennel, celery, Chinese leaves and bianched celeriac, shredded or diced as appropriate, seasoned and then bound in a light, creamy, mustardy dressing would be a perfect contrast to the pork and chestnut stew.

Twelfth Night cake

5oz/140g ground almonds 3oz/85g softened unsalted butter

3oz/85g caster sugar 2tsp orange flower water (optional)

10oz/280g puff pastry 1 China bean or dried haricot bean

Beaten egg and milk for glaze Mix the almonds, butter, sugar

and orange flower water together. Roll out two circles of dough, about 8-9in/20 to 23cm in diameter. Place one circle on a baking sheet lined with grease proof paper, and spread the filling over it, leaving a %in/2cm border. Push the bean into the almond mixture and smooth over it. Brush around the border with the egg and milk mixture, and lay the second circle on top. Press down lightly with the prongs of a fork to seal. Prick the top in one or two places, and decorate if you wish with pastry trimmings or by patterning with a sharp knife. Brush with glaze. Bake in a preheated oven at 200°C/400°F, gas mark 6 for 15-20 minutes until well risen and golden brown.

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#### DRINK

# Great wines for the 1990s

Jane MacQuitty assesses the new French

vintages that will be worth laying down

the quality of Bordeaux's wine world thinks of that year in be offered this spring. general. No matter that Bor-First-class cru classé Bordeaux. deaux's warm, southern climate good, then so must Burgundy.

Strangely 1988, the Burgundy year due to be offered here this spring, has managed to forge a first-class reputation of its own without the aid of Bordeaux. Most Burgundy specialists agree that the '88 red Burgundies are outstand-ing. (Erroneously, the '89 Bur-gundy vintage is already viewed by some as superior to the '88; although the white '89s may possibly eclipse the white '88s, the

reds certainly won't.)
Domaine Direct's 1988 introductory offers are out now and close on January 31. Contact them at 29 Wilmington Square, London WC1. Other fine Burgundy specialists worth noting are Morris & Verdin, 28 Churton Street, London SW1; Adam Bancroft, Gresham House, 4-7 Great Pulteney Street, London W1; Laytons, 20 Midland Road, London W1; and Berkmann Wine N7. Watch out, too, for some fine '89 Beaujolais Crus, or Village wines, as good as if not better than

the pessimist's view is that we ought to buy leading clarets now. 1988 was the last Bordeaux vintage on sale here, and although some excellent wines have been made in both the Médoc and St Emilion and Pomerol, the '88s I have tasted somehow lack the seductive, ripe fruit of a truly great year. Hold fire on '88 Bordeaux until it is older.

Parcels of the mediocre '87 clarets are starting to appear on UK shop shelves, most notably at Majestic Wine Warehouses and Oddbins, as Bordeaux and British merchants make room for finer, later vintages. Most match up to the 1987's reputation, but there are exceptions such as the elegant, smoky Château Grande Mayne, St Emilion, and the full, plummy Château Nenin, both £6.99 from Oddbins. Look out, too, for the much-vaunted '89 Bordeaux vintage, whose early harvest and reputedly fine wines are already being compared to the superlative Stevenage, Hertfordshire, and the boules.

uite wrongly, as every hon- Hungerford Wine Company, 24 est wine trader will admit, High Street, Hungerford, Berkshire, are both worth contacting vintages tends to shape what the now about the '89 claret that will

and single domaine Burgundy. can be quite different from that of although worth purchasing, are the more northerly vineyards of hardly going to be the bargain Burgundy: if Bordeaux looks French wine buys of 1990 and beyond. That role is still played by the Rhône, whose red wines, in particular, are still much undervalued. Apart from the wellknown merchant houses of Jaboulet and Chapoutier, look out for Guigal and Chave's wines and those glorious Châteauneuf-du-Pape wines from Chateau De Beaucastel and Domaine Du Vieux Télégraphe. 1988 is the finest year since

1978 for both the north and south Rhones, Adnams, The Crown, High Street, Southwold, Suffolk; Tanners, 26 Wyle Cop, Shrewsbury. Shropshire, and Lay and Wheeler, 6 Culver Road West, Colchester, Essex, all have fine Rhone lists. Keep an eye open for the '89 Rhones too, the product of an extraordinary drought year but rumoured by some to be as good as the '88s.

If the wines of the Rhone are still undervalued, those of Alsace Cellars, 12 Brewery Road, London are the forgotten wines of France. For years wine merchants have been praising their virtues, but customers remain unmoved by the toothsome '87s.
Good decades of Bordeaux vintages are often followed by bad ones. In recent years, Bordeaux has had many good vintages, so the youthful '88 Alsace wines when I visited the region last month. But if the '88s are impression of the youthful '89s are spectacular. sive, the '89s are spectacular. Whatever you do this year, buy a case of a first-class '89 Alsace Riesling from top estates such as Faller, Zind-Humbrecht and good merchants such as Hugel and Trimbach.

In the Champagne region, 1988 was an excellent year, with a reasonable yield, but 1989 definitely has the edge. Krug describes it as "very, very exceptional", Veuve Clicquot as "remarkable", and Roederer "perfect". The '89 vintage could even surpass legendary vintages such as 1947 and 1959. While we all wait for the '88s and '89s, banish those 1990 blues with a glass or two of Krug's amazing Grande Cuvée, whose hazelnut-like scent and rich, harmonious palate are the stuff that dreams are made of. It is available at £38 from Oddbins, or £33.95 from Majestic, and is worth every penny.

I shall be returning to these worthwhile vintages and regions 82s and fine 86s. The Wine throughout the year, and letting Society, Gunnels Wood Road, you know where to buy the best

#### **WINE BUYS**

● Sainsbury's Cannonau del Parteoli, Sainsbury's, £2.35 If your January bills look as big as mine do, you will need a reasonably priced red and white wine to tide you over. This chunky Sardinian red with its big, rich truffley fruit should fit the bill nicely. ● 1988 Côtes du Rhône, Cuvée St Laurent Davison's, £3.35 Iam not a great fan of white Rhône I am not a great fan of white Rhône

wines, but this well-made, light, waxy wine is a good, inexpensive medium-bodied winter white. • 1985 Concha Y Toro, Cabernet Sauvignon Victoria Wine, £3.19 Not as classy as Concha Y Toro's wines used to be, but a very palatable 1990 glassful all the same. The ripe, blackcurrant-pastille flavours of this Chilean red are unmistakable.

#### **CAFE SOCIETY**

# In training for oysters

oodrow Wilson, a logical fellow, went for the logical fellow, went for the oysters. Plain-spoken Harry Truman liked a plain piece of fish, broiled. John Kennedy, though understandably loyal to a Boston version of the stuff, allowed that the fish chowder was perfectly acceptable and had a second helping. Though not all have left a record of their favourite dishes, every American President since 1913, when the place opened, has eaten here. Not bad going for a station buffet.

But of course Grand Central Terminal is no ordinary railway station and the Grand Central Oyster Bar & Restaurant is no ordinary buffet. When Cornelius Vanderbilt opened his great terminus, people flocked to see what was considered an engineering marvel. And le tout New York of the day stayed on to see, and be seen in, the new and immediately

fashionable Oyster Bar. From Grand Central those great American trains rolled out nightly, with neat timing. If you took, for

Track down the Grand Central buffet for a splendid fishy feast, says Charles Hennessy

ited to Chicago, pulling out at 11.15pm, you could at your leisure demolish a moliuse or two at the Oyster Bar before moving on to a piscatorial plate while a Red Cap stashed your luggage and the Pullman porter turned down the bed in your sleeper.

Whether they were travelling or seeing off friends, this is where the likes of "Diamon' Jim" Brady, Lillian Russell, Florenz Ziegfeld, Lily Langury and Al Jolson hung out and helped to make the Oyster Bar what it is: indisputably an American institution.

Check it out for yourself: all you have to do is go to New York. Then all you have to do is find the place. Finding Grand Central is a cinch. There it is, right under the Pan Am building. Enter by way of the Pan Am lobby (last month, a high school choir sweetly carolled at me from the mezzanine above)

instance, the 20th-Century Lim- and take an escalator down to the great concourse. Is it some noble city bank? A hall of government? The Supreme Court? There is no sight, scent or sound of locomotive, no trace of grit or grime or glimpse of oily engine driver.

The music changed to Swan Lake and there was the Connecticut Ballet, playing to a circle of well-fed burghers in furs, mittens. galoshes and Muscovite hats, their backs carefully turned to the latest habitués, the so-called underclass who wheel their tatty possessions in supermarket trolleys and pan-handle for small change. No sign, either, of the famous Oyster Bar.

You have to ask. It takes, they say, about three commuters before you get it right. Or go to the central information desk where they respond to any question like faultless automatons. Sticking close to the wall you go down what, elsewhere, would be a side-street

until you come to a door which would, in any ordinary station, open on to a place that copies keys or fixes broken heels.

Inside, you go down a steep set of stairs to an elongated S-shaped bar (the barman speaks four languages and likes to vacation in. Paris) surrounded by a few cheerfully-covered tables. You could eat here, with advantage: you wouldn't miss anyone who came in, and you'd find it quieter than the great caves that lie beyond the door in the far right corner.

But through that door is where the action is. Take a seat at the counter on the left (this is the Oyster Bar) and in front of you, in tiers like a Busby Berkeley chorus descending a staircase, white-clad chefs stir steaming pots of soup, siew and chowder, shuck oysters and clams and dissect crabs and lobsters (also served at a takeaway counter to New Yorkers too busy even to perch on a stool for 10 minutes). Behind you, at the kind of horseshoe-shaped tables favoured by burger joints and airport cafeterias, customers are served by green-and-white clad

Beyond this middle kingdom, under the same high-vaulted ceilings (lined, like the walls, with tiles of two-tone tan and ht by chandeliers and the kind of lights found in stars' dressing-rooms), the serious eaters gather.

This is the restaurant proper. The tablecloths are in the American vernacular, which means redand-white check to denote hearty eating, a good time and, vaguely, Old Europe. The waiters are in sombre black and green and the joint is jumping, but to a steady,

controlled rhythm. The menu is hand-lettered on a sheet of tough paper that measures 18 inches by 12 inches and needs



Underneath the arches: some serious eating action at the Oyster Bar at Grand Central Station, New York

to. It is updated daily and if there's a price marked against what you want, you got it. On the back are listed some 120 white wines and a mere nine reds, which is declaring one's hand (if you don't like fish, you can have chicken or steak or too bad). All the wines are American - Oregon and Texas feature, as well as California.

Faced with an impossible choice of 16 oyster varieties (among them Belons from Maine, Bluepoints, Apalachicola, Cheticamps, Cotuit, Malpeque and Vancouver), clams big and small and fish smoked on the premises (including lake sturgeon), I ordered that great delicacy, oursins from Maine, which were superb.

Under the heading "Today's Catch" were listed 37 kinds of fish including bluefish, catfish, grouper, mahi-mahi, pink snapper, scrod, shad (with or without roe). tautog, pompano and Virginia

Ingredients were of the highest quality, the cooking simple but not simplistic (there was an adventurous sea-bass in a potato barquette), presentation handsome and service attentive and informed. All this goes on daily from 11.30am to 9.30pm - but not at weekends because then the Fulton Fish Market in lower Manhattan, source of most of the ingredients, is closed.

At £1 an oyster and an average

of £12 a main course, cheap it ain't, but you get value. I find it hard to believe there is another specialist restaurant in the world offering such variety in such an ambience, under such good management.

When I left New York in the mid-1960s, the Oyster Bar would not have merited such a claim. Its present owner. Jerry Brody, says that by the early 1970s the place had deteriorated into a "big coffee shop". Now it is a splendid bit of Americana. It contrives to be, like those other national treasures Mae West, Fred Astaire and the creatures of Charles Schultz, both indelibly American and universally accessible.



#### Jonathan Clark applauds historian Frank O'Gorman's work

How democratic is our electoral system? We know that a few voices are raised in criticism of it, but we tend to disregard them with a knowing smile: centre parties clearly want to load the dice in their favour by the device of proportional representation. Apart from that, the amount of fundamental criticism of our electoral machinery is remarkably small. To an astonishing degree, we accept our "democratic" institutions because we believe in an historical theory of

their origins.

Essentially, this explains how
Britain moved from oligarchic corruption to modern liberty. The Hanoverian age, before 1832, was just as Hogarth drew it and Dickens wrote it up: Eatanswill. Then the reformers got to work, and in a series of titanic struggles shaped democratic conscie 1832, 1867, 1884, 1918 still stand as milestones on the road to demo-cratic freedom. With universal suffrage, we arrive at the end of that road. There is nothing more to be

Except, of course, by the historian. He sees that the familiar story is really a matter of projecting modern values and practices back into the past, and condemning Old England for failing to fit them. But what happens if you examine the

Save the voter

VOTERS, PATRONS AND PARTIES The Unreformed Electoral System of Hanoverian England, 1734-1832 By Frank O'German Oxford, £40

"unreformed" electorate in its own terms, and then look forward to modern practices? We discover that what we value as "democracy" is just as formal, just as much a question of convention, as what the Hanoverian did; but the conventions merely happen to be different. Historians have preferred to



Political progress: detail from one of Hogarth's "The Election" plates

rather than to explain how it worked at constituency level. That is, indeed, a peculiarly difficult scholarly feat. Voters are more easily written off as dependent, venal, few in number, and politi-cally ignorant. To rescue them from this stereotype is not easy, if only a minority of seats were contested successively at general elections, which were anyway safely spaced at seven-year intervals. If only a minority of the adult male population possessed the vote, this mattered less, since general elec-

tions did not unseat governments before the mid-19th century. O'Gorman's central thesis is that the "electoral system was con-trolled by local families and connections, whose influence was exercised conditionally amidst habits of widespread political involvement". Far from a subservient electorate, patrons had to work to keep control. Obligations were reciprocal. Electoral activity was much more open, fluid, and effective than the figures - say, for contests - suggest. The electorate was considerable and politically literate. It may have been small in size, but its activity (and that of mobilized bystanders) was far more democratic than appears.

Essentially, electoral activity was directed to the expression and resolution of local conflicts, not to changing Westminster govern-ments. Local goals included resistance to as well as co-operation with elite control: reform in 1832 came from within the system. It successfully reconstructed itself. "It was not the 'faults' of the electoral system which were responsible for eform in 1831-2 but an unprecedented conjunction of political

How much of this is true of our own system, despite its obvious differences? Is the control of party organizations now less than that of patrons then? Are modern voters immune to "influence"? Are they bribed now with larger sums of public money than they were then with private money? Is the modern voter a paragon of political literacy? How local are his concerns? And yet, despite all these things, does our system not have a functional integrity despite its betrayal of most of its professed ideals?

Frank O'Gorman admits that the objective of his book is mildly polemical. "It is to offer a revisionist interpretation of the unreformed electoral system and of unreformed electoral politics. I wish to rescue the unreformed electorate from the Whig interpretation of English history and from the neglect, contempt, and ignorance of historians and propagandists."

In all of these aims it is a brilliant success. With superb scholarship. O'Gorman has written the most distinguished book on the subject since 1903: its implications for modern democratic government are as profound as they are

# A life halved by history

vainglorious observer of the nation's Press scene has recently beof organized prejudice" permitting animus from the general public. If anything, such doctrinaire nonsense would have prompted me to suppress the fact that I am at work on a biography of Boris Pasternak. I choose to disclose it because my interest in the subject is more vested than that of an embittered ex-wife, my animus more personal than that of a jealous expert in a

What is objectivity? "Then spake the woman whose the living child was, unto the king, for her bowels yearned upon her son, and she said, O my lord, give her the living child." But the other said: "Let it be neither mine or thine, but divide it." No Pasternak biographer has ever behaved differently before the Solomon of truth. A false mother, with a mind fixed on objectivity, wants a life evenly divided among the claimants. She wants a judge who is even-handed. No personal animus, please. No vested interest. The specific truth of the life under review here is that it had already been sliced into two by the hand of history long before the biographers under review were born. It is the even-handed joining of its heterogeneous and unequal parts that, in this case, marks the imposters among us. Pasternak, born in 1890, was dead as a creative being by 1935. His subsequent literal death is no more significant than that year's figurative resurr-ection of Vladimir Mayakovsky by the hand of Stalin. Yet it is during the remaining quarter-century of his physical life that he wrote Zhivago, and western biographers find the judgements of the Nobel Committee as difficult to ignore as their Soviet counterparts did Stalin's. Here the life of Pasternak, nobody's child, becomes a didactic myth of courage and art, with

kinder liberalization. The standard method of spinning out this banal myth into the stuff of biography has until now been scholarly. By weaving together Pasternak as he was after 1935 and Pasternak as he had been until 1935, the Zhivago ghost was made real enough, and the genius of My

himself as a kind of kingpin of East

European dissidence looking

searchingly into the future of

restructured openness and gentler,

Andrei Navrozov admits bias on the

newest crop of Pasternak books

Sister Life rendered a little more comprehensible. The translations used by the scholars were marvellously well-suited to the exercise, since a line of genius, properly sterilized ("Like copper globs of cinders"), sounds no different from a trite Russian proverb ("To live a life is not to cross a field") uttered by the ghost. Both of the above utterances are from Peter Levi's biography, the latter "pre-existing provero" translated by Robert Lowell, the former from a poem where Pasternak "seems to be wandering about with a candle", by Richard McKane.

BORIS PASTERNAK By Peter Levi Hutchinson, £17.95 **BORIS PASTERNAK** The Tragic Years 1930-1960 By Evgeny Pasternak Collins Harvill, £15.00 POEMS 1955-1959 and AN **ESSAY IN AUTOBIOGRAPHY** By Boris Pasternak Collins Harvill, £6.95

The latter, I repeat, is of no interest to anyone save students of quaint Russian sayings. The former (Kak bronzovoi zolói zharóven in the original; "Like brazen ashes off a brazier" in my version) is what Russian culture is measured by, and will be for millenniums to

The remarkable thing about Peter Levi's biography is that it introduces a new way of weaving the web of that ubiquitous myth. His book is not scholarly, contains no footnotes, and seems to have sprung from a marsupial mind like a young kangaroo. The thesis may be the same, but its banality is alleviated by wild inventions, preposterous inaccuracies, and upportable analogies.

Which is why, in my view, it is the best biography of Pasternak currently available in English. For

the academic Pasternakologist not only perpetuates the banal myth of Pasternak, he turns him into a wishful replica of that Pasternakologist. By contrast, Peter Levi's replica of himself is more enter-taining and far less oppressive.

Still, Levi knows no Russian. It is

perhaps pedantic to point out elementary errors like Mir Isskustvo for Mir Iskusstva or Dunnaya for Dushnaya. And yet, if Shelseneer is difficult accept. if Shakespeare is difficult enough for those who read him in English, imagine how impossible it would be to discover his poetry without knowing the original. In Pasternak, Elizabethan sophistication is multiplied by the complexity of modern European culture, and the average Russian may understand him no better than Levi does. Average Russians, however, like average Englishmen, are readers, not writers, of literary biographics.

Evgeny Pasternak, the poet's son by a failed marriage, is the acknowledged guru of Pasternakology and, like his father in his Nobel years, an inexhaustible source of biographical mythopoesis. Not co-incidentally, Collins Harvill has seized upon the second part of his scholarly study. In this centenary year, proclaimed by Unesco to be The Year of Pasternak, who cares about Pasternak before 1930? It was in 1958 that he got the Nobel, after all, and it was Collins Harvill that brought out Zhiwago in English, in Manya Harari's translation. Who cares, and who is there to say, that the Nobel ennobled him approximately as a frock-coat button would have ennobled the Aphrodite of Praxiteles?

And what better way to tie it all together with a festive ribbon in 1990 than to commission new translations of the post-1930 poems from Ann Pasternak Slater, the poet's British niece, and her busband, the famous British poet Craig Raine, as well as to reissue the Harari translations of Poems 1955-1959 and An Essay in Autobiography (1956) with a preface by Raine. In his preface, Raine describes early Pasternak as "risibly lofty guff", and it begins to seem that the phantasmagoria of scholarly mythopoesis, glimpsed here at its most sterile, trivial and false, would not have come to torment us had Giangiacomo Feltrinelli, Zhivago's original pubisher, not struck a routine business deal with Collins Harvill 33 years ago. Of course, such a view is full of



n 1066 it took the Conqueror just a few months to roll un what was potentially the most strongly governed state in Europe. with a standing army and an efficient system of taxation. A major factor in this was the recognition by his European contemporaries that he had right on his side: though there was a teenage legitimate heir, a usurper occupied the English throne. In seeking to show how this came about, Mr Ronay's book has its serious historical side, though its appeal

will be elsewhere. How they continue to fascinate us, those nobs blown away by the gales of the world: the last emperor, the exiled prince. We forget that in life such men were ghosts. It is in death that they come to life, for then the glamour of what might have been covers the nonentity and the drunk, the last Sultan in his seraglio having Sherlock Holmes read to him to while away the long afternoons. In the men who were the last of the 600-year-old House of Cerdic Ronay has the perfect candidates for what might have been: all they ever did was die

### Labouring in the dark over Edward the elusive

suddenly and regularly and mysteriously or, in the case of Edgar Aetheling, stagger his contemporaries by blowing a whole

year's pension on a single horse. But then most Saxon history is a blur of short reigns and shared names. And murder. A teenaged king stabbed by his stepmother. another dragged by the Archbishop been sharing with his mistress and her mother to attend his own coronation: what a shower! There is always the superstar Alfred, of course, but as for the rest you need to be a Dark Age specialist to name more than five Saxon kings. In 1057 the King of the English, a sexless albino obsessed with religion and hunting, sent for his one surviving nephew, who as a child had stepped out of English history when Canute the Dane became

Byron Rogers

THE LOST KING OF **ENGLAND** By Gabriel Ronay Boydell, £19.50

king. He entered it again briefly when, soon after reaching England. he died, leaving a small son, Edgar, That is all that is known about Edward the Exile, except that he spent 40 years in Hungary.

But why Hungary? It took the embassy sent to get him back three years to find the place. Ronay, a Hungarian himself, with much conjecture and some interesting detective work, tries to fill in those 40 lost years. In a collection of Saxon laws compiled for Henry I he found a reference to a stay in Kiev.

provide a forum for the exchange of

ideas, the sharing of experience, the

practice of what some call commu-

nication. The result was a disaster. The philosophers could talk for

themselves, but not (so it seems) to

each other. Several apocryphal

stories are extant as to how the

meeting finally broke down. My favourite is the one that tells of Gabriel Marcel seeking to explain his notions of grace and transcen-

dence to some logical positivists, who interrupted him to ask why he

didn't simply say what he meant. "I can't!" cried Marcel. "But if I had a

piano here I could play it for you!

Iain Crichton Smith is a piano-

player, in this sense, and I must

refrain from shooting him, since he

is doing his best. Born on the Isle of

Lewis, in the Outer Hebrides, some

60-odd years ago, this poet has been

bilingual from the start, publishing good work in English and Gaelic.

The English poems often strike me

as having an air of translation

about them, as if Crichton Smith thought and felt in Gaelic. But such

a remark does little justice to the craft and ease of his writing, so

perhaps it would be truer to observe

that here is a poet who gives every

sense of having heard some ab-

solute music which he makes it his

Rainbow I love you, you are

Athlete and artist, you have

into the rich ignorance of the

composed of light,

perfectly curved

colours. hiatuses, a bridge.

task to convey to us in words:

Now this makes sense. A Scandinavian dynasty ruled there, and the city was on one of the major trade routes of northern Europe. It is also known that about the same time members of the Hungarian royal family were in exile there, and from Kiev launched the invasion that regained their throne. And now we move into probably and perhaps. for it is Ronay's case that the Saxon prince accompanied them. There is

no documentary evidence for this. He visited his native land and found traces of an oral tradition referring to the castle of an English prince, presumably the sort of gift a grateful king would have made. Unfortunately, with growing confidence, he then starts talking about Edward's home-sickness in Hungary, and his overwhelming display of emotion when he finally set foot

is known for certain is that he was in Hungary, got married, and came home, where he died suddenly.

Now the death is decidedly odd, for the chronicle mentions that before it he was kept from seeing the King. No names are mentioned and no reasons given, but Ronay points the finger at Harold, and holds him responsible for what he thinks was murder. Again it makes sense, all this book makes sense, except that there is no evidence for much of it. The result is that you are left with something not quite history and not quite fiction, and the author is not too particular about the distinction.

Could the Exile have changed history? The hard-headed William of Malmesbury wrote the one character assessment, "neither valiant nor a man of abilities". The best gloss on his son Edgar is that, despite the many rebellions of his long life, he was always pardoned by the Norman kings against whom he rebelled. So it is only romance that underwrites this book. History draws neat red lines under one man's name, but the end has come long before that,

explanation.
Lorca solved his own piano-

playing problems by reference to the duende, that important part of Spanish gypsy dancing which sweeps audiences and performers off their feet. By the time he came to write Poet in New York, though, the absolute music had turned into jazz, and the intensity of his response to the modern world was getting in the way of any celebra-tion of verities, eternal or otherwise. These are poems of alienation and breakdown, the heart-breaking songs of a wounded nightingale. The new Viking edition prints the Spanish text and an English translation on facing pages, and augments this with letters that Lorca wrote to his family as he made to the provider of the pro his family as he worked on the book. Some strange incidentals emerge, notably that the poet was so paranoid at this period that he believed that Dali and Burinel were conspiring against him: "Burbuel has made a little seet of a film called An Andalusian Dog, and the 'Andalusian dog' is me." The best

on the concrete surface of a plate.

Interesting, of course, that Lorca was to progress from this to trying to make sense of the death of his friend, the bullfighter Ignacio San-

# Every ending is a beginning.

Sanda Miller

MODERN ART

Impressionism to

Post-Modernism

**Edited by David Britt** 

Thames & Hudson, £14.95

Rimbaud's advice to artists which became the battle cry of his generation is still with us a century later.

We need, though, to ask ourselves whether the meaning of the word "modern" has altered significantly since. It is an important question, because we are dealing with one of those ungrateful notions which seem to deteriorate in direct proportion with the frequency of their use. Even a cursory survey of art history books on 20th-

century art reveals that the word

"modern" has been lovingly incorporated in every title, and the current addition to an already impressive list makes no exception. It surpasses its predecessors squeeze the word

in twice. In the first instance, "mod-ern" is used in a historical sense as a label for the 100 years of artistic development which constitute the subbook. Although

contributed by different authors, the eight chapters covering the main European and American stylistic trends from 'Impressionism' to now were brought to a common denominator by following a standard pattern: an ntroduction plus mini-biographies, succeeding each other like beads on a string.

A refreshing exception is the more idiosyncratic Chapter Two, "Symbolism and Art Nouveau" by Alastair Mackintosh. He starts from the premise that the vagaries of taste which dictate the making of art history rendered Symbolism and Art Nouveau unfashionable in the 1960s, and therefore they were ignored by the mainstream to the extent that in "an inexpensive book directed at the broad mass of art lovers" both are omitted.

But in George Heard Hamilton's minal book on 20th-century art published in the 1960s, Painting and Sculpture in Europe: 1880-1940 in the Pelican History of Art series, very much directed at the "broad mass of art lovers", Symbolism is treated as exhaustively as Fauvism

This brings into focus the important issue of method, justifiably but by the editor as well. He argues in the preface that the often favoured linear historical approach, which regards art history as an apostolic succession of -isms, does not work, and this is proved by our inability to assess the last 20 years of development in art, referred to by the fashionable term Post-Modernism.

It would be appropriate to point out here that, while much art history is dominated by the linear concept of evolution, equally

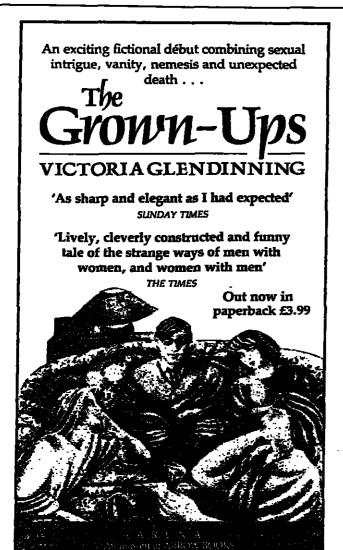
important alternatives, such as the popular cyclical theories based on the Heselian idea of history see at 2002 spiral movement (inherited by Marxism), have always existed side by side.

Post-Modernism is the second instance when the word modern is used in the title of this book: But if we agree that the dictionary defini-tion of the word modern as, "of; or characteristic

of, present or recent time", constitutes a reasonable working definition, post-modern becomes a contradiction in terms. Perhaps for that reason, Farco Livingstone, author of the last chapter in the book, "Pluralism since the 1960s", who had also the task of drawing the conclusion and offering the much-needed apologia for its coming into being, chose the

term pluralism instead.
His chapter ends rather abruptly by acknowledging that at present we are faced with a situation when: Every movement and art form initiated since the early 1960s continues to exist as a defensible proposition as we approach the last decades of our century." Yet in all this bewildering plurality there is a message of optimism in the very openness and wealth of possibilities" on offer.

As to the conclusion: from our own vantage point, there can be no conclusion. Yet as our century draws to a close, even if we do not subscribe to the dialectical view of history, we could at least lear, from the the preceding fin de siècle that every end also signals a beginning It must be left to the next general tion to draw our conclusion.



#### in England again. Yet again, all that Some years ago an extraordinary general meeting of professional philosophers took place in the south of France. The plan was to Of poets

POETRY

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**Robert Nye** 

THE VILLAGE AND OTHER POEMS By Isin Crichton Smith Carcanet, £6.95

POET IN NEW YORK By Federico Garcia Lorca Translated by Greg Simon and Steven F. White Edited by Christopher Maurer Viking, £16.95

Notice that the rainbow is being praised for its effort, which might be considered curiously Celtic. These lines are typical also of another strain in their author in that they engage with chaos and despair (that "rich ignorance"), but still find a way to sing about them. The Village and Other Poems rejects irony and most other fashionable modes to achieve this note. While the "other poems" are mostly lyrical, the title sequence is a Crabbe-like meditation on the particular rural world that gives limits to the poet's imagination. The whole seems to me an uncommonly truthful book,

even if the nature of its truth remains recalcitrant to prose

of these poems transcend such moods, transform their own sur-realism, and come up singing splendidly, even if the burden of

I know a ceremony so secret it requires an old rusty pin, and I know the horror of open

or Cubism. chez Mejias, before meeting his own peculiarly senseless death.

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## Period settings for romance

John Russell Taylor wonders at the survival of some historic houses and their interiors

ntil replaced a little while ago by a Japanese-financed residential development, there they all still were, on MGM's old Lot Four in Culver City: the Andy Hardy Street, the Camille cottage, the Western Front French village originally built for The Big Parade . . . mouldering slightly, it is true, but, since the southern California climate is relatively kind, they stood proud as monuments to the durability of even the most flighty romantic dreams. Fonthill, one feels, must have been something like that: the same dubious theatrical materials, the same building to create a particular fantasy effect, the same illusion of permanence disguising an essential flimsiness. And of course Fonthill survived only seven years from its completion (in so far as it ever was completed) until its collapse; even Garbo's rustic

retreat

THE ROMANTIC lasted INTERIOR

much longer. The British Collector at The other houses in Clive Home, 1750-1850 Wainwright's By Clive Wainwright book did stand up a bit better than Beckford's folly: though it is hard not to

wonder that Walpole's pinchbeck gothick at Strawberry Hill has lasted, it is still there, and so is Sir Walter Scott's Abbotsford, a grimmer, heftier Scottish equivalent. Goodrich Court has gone, finally demolished in the 1940s, but Charlecote Park is still around, cunningly practising its deceptions on those who, blinded by the legendary Shakespearian associations, imagine that everything they are seeing must be really old. Perhaps that is what they were meant to think; but probably not. George Hammond Lucy, after all, could surely not have cared less what people in general thought, and would certainly have expected his antiquarian and connoisseur friends to recognize what in the present interiors was his own invention, more suited than any genuine survival could be to setting off his collections to best

advantage.
In that respect Charlecote falls right in line with the other houses in the book they were each designed, not so much as a comfortdesigned, not so much as a comfortable or grand living-space, but rather as a jewel cabinet within which an imposing collection could be stored and displayed. And above all, they were designed as settings—settings for a performance of life. For the early Romantic period was

a golden age of his-style: rich and cultivated people saw all aspects of their life as a way of expressing themselves, or projecting an image of themselves which would be impressive. This meant that everything should be all-of-a-piece: the literary work (Scott was a busy professional, Walpole and Beck-ford at the very least inspired literary dabblers), the residence and its decor, the antiquarian interests, and the objects collected in pursuit of these interests. Si monumentum requiris . . .

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Not that on the whole one can, any more, just look around. We can see Strawberry Hill, but not its original contents. We cannot see Fonthill, except in the glamorous (glamorized?) engravings of Rutter and Britton. Goodrich Court, the ultimate expression of Sir Samuel Rush Meyrick (Scott's great adviser on arms and ar-

mour), has completely vanished. though many scattered pieces from his collections survive. But at least George Hammond Lacy's

"re-edification" of Charlecote is to a surprising degree still present and correct, perhaps because it has convinced many apart from Na-thaniel Hawthorne that its "perfection of comfort and domestic taste must have taken ages, and the thoughts of successive generations to produce". And Walter Scott's Abbotsford, best, most coherent and, Wainwright argues, most influential of them all, is preserved in as nearly as possible its original

What is most interesting and novel about the book is its insistence on this original integrity. The man, the place and the possessions were, when put together, a miracle of rare device. And while there are many studies of the architectural beginnings of the Gothic Revival, on the collections of the great Romantic collectors, and on the literary influence of Scott, Walpole and Beckford, not to mention more specialized considerations of early 19th-century antiquarianism, no one has ever brought it all together so vividly to re-create the period's vision of the high, good life. The men who had this vision knew who they were, knew how they wished to appear, and rejoiced in the belief that these two concepts were one and the same. Who nowadays can present himself to the world with a similar confidence?



## Glittering prize-winners

Ancient history relates that the goose of Mother Goose laid an egg of pure gold. The thing has now been appropriated by modern publicity and turned into a gilded prize "for the most outstanding newcomer to British children's book illustration". First dished up in 1979 to Michelle Cartlidge, the Golden Egg of the Mother Goose Award has now had nine more winners, and Ten Golden Years has been published to exhibit their combined talents, and, I suppose, the perspicacity of Mother Goose's

judges.
The Festschrift is an elaborate one. Various contemporary poets have been asked to submit some thymes for children. These, with an introduction, have been organized into 20 page-openings, and each Golden Egg gets two shots at a FOR CHILDREN Brian Alderson

TEN GOLDEN YEARS Edited by Sally Grindley and Chris Powling Walker Books, £9.95

double-page spread. Thus Miss Cartlidge, who specializes in fuzzy animals, illustrates a doggy-birthday poem by Peter Dixon, and has teddy-bears moving house for a poem by Alan Brownjohn. The most recent winner, Charles Fuge, supplies a gaggle of cheerful goslings for the introduction and a jungleful of animals for John Rice's 'Bears Don't Eat Bananas''. Understandably, though,

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have provided verses such as haiku which are unillustrable; some illustrators are not comfortable when confined to two random spreads. Nevertheless, as with another anserine enterprise from the same publisher last year - Iona Opie's Tail Feathers From Mother Goose - the anthology shows something of the variety of illustrative styles that are admired today. And sometimes, as with Emma Chichester Clark's wide-eyed view of two nonsense poems by Dick King-Smith, the fruitfulness of the Golden Egg is happily apparent.

method is hit-or-miss. Some poets

All the royalties for the book go towards parents' accommodation at the Great Ormond Street Hospital - "a tribute", say the editors nicely, "from Mother Goose to Peter Pan".

novel. We are being asked to

consider the mixed heritage of

## Ending The icy grip of history

n 1977 a Durham University student, Robert Swan, chanced on David Thomson's book Scott's Me in

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the university library:

make that happen?"

"I stared for a long time at the

picture of four men on the cover,

their eves sunk in their sockets, skin

stretched tight over cheekbones;

but it was less these physical

manifestations of starvation and

privation that told me they had

suffered, than the haunted ex-

pression in their eyes . . . What the

hell had gone on, I asked aloud, to

When Swan discovered that no

one had ever dared to retrace

Scott's footsteps to the South Pole,

he became possessed by the thought of doing so. Roland Huntford's

hostile assessment of Scott in his

book Scott and Amundsen fuelled

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Swain's original idea was to

vindicate Scott by recreating the

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n the face of it there seems one Jains Apollo Filmer, corruptor of men and probable murderer, from committing further crimes. The setting is the luxurious Great Transcontinental Murder Race Train; the journey is a marvellous Hazel Leslie

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF SCOTT

By Roger Mears and Robert Swan Grafton, £5.99

ceived an even more daring plan. Why not do the journey in one single push from the coast "with a minimum of food - no depots, no air support, no dogs, ponies or mechanized vehicles - just two men, hauling sledges on the longest

white walk in history?"
By November 1984, when the expedition ship sailed from London, "just two men" had become five, plus a ship's crew of 24. After wintering on the coast at Cape Evans, Scott's base camp, three of the five were to make the

final walk to the Pole. It is an extraordinary story, told mainly by Mears in spare but vivid pedition of 1912. When he met style. I felt the hair rising on my

neck with the first sight of Scott's hut, "bone grey and silent" on the black beach, the supplies in it still untouched, the stables almost filled with ice, but still containing bales of hay for the ponies.

Emotions ran high. The ghosts of past heroes seemed to accompany the party and invite comparison One of Scott's men wrote of his companions: They were gold, pure, shining and unalloyed. Words cannot express how good their companionship was." Relations within this tense, self-analytical modern party were described by one of them as more like "a

continuous encounter group". The 70-day journey was a strange mixture of high exhilaration and grinding exhaustion. "We have become machines that each day must convert every ounce of food we consume into miles," wrote Mears in his diary. Even the armchair traveller understands, by the end of this gropping book, what put the haunted look into the eyes of those four men 70 years ago.

he best thing about this book is its cover. It's a reproduction of a photograph taken in 1914; three young men, soberly suited and hatted, gaze out of an empty landscape. They are formally dressed in the middle of nowhere, with fresh faces that contradict their heavy dark clothes and awkward canes. The odd contrasts make a haunting image, and Richard Powers has built an elaborate and ambitious novel on its

resonance.

PAPERBACKS

Who were these youths? "Three farmers on their way to a dance, 1914". This is the caption beside the photograph as it is exhibited in Detroit in the 1980s. It is spotted there by a loquaciously alienated American who becomes obsessed with its significance. He learns that it was taken by the German photographer, August Sander. "The date sufficed to show that they were not going to their expected dance."
A threefold story emerges piecemeal from this shadow of the past. Another American comes across

itzGibbon's novel was first

## Travellers who missed the ball

**FICTION** 

Dinah Birch

among old family papers in Chicago: he never meets his fellow sleuth, but he too discovers a contemporary identity through brooding on the

patterns of history. The farmers acquire characters and stories of their own, as they stamble through a disintegrating Europe. But their fortunes are seen through contem-

THREE FARMERS ON THEIR WAY TO A DANCE By Richard Powers Penguin, £4.99

caught in the photograph together, and those of their two investigators. One of these, unhelpfully, is also called Peter, the other, still more unbelpporary preoccupations, for "the realities of the past become true fully, is given no name at all. Possibilities for confusion in the only when they intersect the slack-minded reader abound.

modern American man, Richard Powers has thought deeply about the processes of history as they shape the lives of the individuals trapped in its currents. The pressures of narrative take second piace to his determination to share his conclusions with us. Fragmented accounts of what happened, or this sounds a might have happened, to the five men at the centre of the book are interspersed with brisk digressive quite right. Five lectures about the historical significance of Sarah Bernhardt, Henry Ford, photography, modernism and the avant-garde, biography, the stories of Hubert, Peter and many other topics of interest to our view of the past. Intriguing and and Adolphe, sometimes stylish, these cerebral diversions demonstrate a lively and well-informed mind in their author. But the cumulative effect is to muffle the edges of the compelling image which is the novel's startingpoint. It's a relief to return to those three farmers. They meet our eyes as enigmatically as ever grave,

#### But story is not the point of the knowing, and quite unreachable. Lefty villains — a gentleman's vision

published in 1960, and even then it seemed a rather lurid warning against the CND-type unilateral disarmer. A general election victory of a Labour Party committed to unilateral disarmament ends with the flight of the Royal Family to Canada, the reimposition of exchange controls, censorship of the Press and television, mass arrests of whores, black street gangs, political opponents of the new regime, and the solution of the unemployment problem by the kind offer of the Russians to provide work in the exciting new frontiers in Siberia. The Russian delegation, sent to verify the closing of American bases in England, remains to administer the "special camps" set up for political prisoners in Hyde Park, FitzGibbon must have had a far jollier time with this book than Trainedy that because an obsession: Captain Scott and the members of his documed expedition at the South Pole Orwell, with whose relentlessly

gloomy Nineteen Eighty-Four this novel has occasionally been

compared.
It has been reissued with an introduction by the Conservative MP, Julian Amory, as a "wholesome reminder" that things could go wrong for Gorbachov. Its pro-

phetic message is that electing a Labour government is a high-risk FitzGibbon wrote of a world dominated by the aristocracy,

London clubs and country weekends. His characters are so upperclass that they regard wearing a dinner jacket as being in faintly bad taste, "since nowadays every commuter changed for dinner the moment he got back to his house in the suburbs". There are numerous elderly air vice-marshals, powerful

Eric Homberger

WHEN THE KISSING HAD TO STOP By Constantine FitzGibboo Bellew, £5.50

> to paive and/or traitorous left-wing intellectuals. The deceit, hypocrisy, delusions and untrustworthiness of intellectuals are underlined in every possible manner. In the Fifties, during the heyday of lan Fleming, who was only interested in intellectnals of the "mad scientist" and arch-conspirator FitzGibbon's emphasis took on a

variety, particular edge. They end up deservedly in Russian gulags, along with the literary women (another species detested by the author) who foolishly love them. In the camps they find unfaithful wives, naive politicians and businessmen.

There is in When the Kissing Had to Stop an impressive amount of wistful infidelity among the aristos, consummated off-stage, and a tremendous feel for those awkward social occasions such as when Felix Seligman, Jewish financier turned pious Catholic, enter-

tains Lord Clonard, his wife's lover. FitzGibbon saw certain things clearly. The erosion and then destruction of civil liberties is greeted in the novel with silence or acquiescence. Police in the novel smoothly adapt to the new role of enforcing totalitarian oppression. No illusions about the good old British bobby here. His Russians are 100 per cent pure villains, somewhat of the James Bond variety, but lacking Ian Fleming's occasional delight in sadomasochistic scenes of torture and rape. FitzGibbon was much too much of a gentleman for such carryings on.

to be little (apart from a millionaire setting) to connect The Edge (Dick Francis. Pan, £3.99) with Elmore Leonard's Split Images, recently reissaed by Penguin at £3.50. The first tells the story of rich but Massuming Tor Kelsey who, for a hobby, works for the Jockey Club as an undercover security agent. this present objective is to prevent

scenic route across the breadth of Canada, while the characters also include a troupe of actors playing out a murder mystery for the entertainment of the millionaire horse owners. A touch of remance adds zest to the chase.

Elmore Leonard's plot is developed on two levels. The first deals with multi-millionaire Robbie Daniels's unhealthy attachment to the sport of people shooting, the second with Lieutenant Bryan Hurd's determination to bring him to justice. Hurd's journalist girl-friend provides an enignatic link between the two strands. Drug runners, sleazy ex-cops, corrupt

## The millionaire murders

diplomats, and the flashy lifestyle of Palm Beach jet-setters furnish the background. The Dick Francis offering has the

usual simple but effective ingredients, where the good are very good, and honest, and upright, and the bad are unashamedly wicked. The reader is not expected to question motives or the quirks of personality. As ever, Francis provides us with an intriguing up-to-date ver-sion of the old-fashioned certainties of John Buchan.

THRILLERS Lisanne Radice

Elmore Leonard, on the other hand, often encapsulates the strange illogicality and instability of an American society where rules need not apply or do not even exist. In Split Images he also produces an ambivalent picture of convoluted and decoly flawed personalities.

And yet the similarities between the two thrillers are startling.

First, we have the whetting of the appetite in the opening sentence. "I was following Derry Welfram at a prudent 50 paces when he stumbled, fell face down on the Tarmac and lay still." A classic Francis kick-off. As intriguing is the Elmore Leonard opening: "In the winter of 1981 a multi-millionaire by the name of Robinson Daniels shot a. Haitian refugee who had broken into his home in Palm Beach."

Then there is the extraordinary command of plot and pacing; the sharply defined images often beautifully understated, and the deceptively easy style of writing. But more intriguing of all. a

characteristic not always associated with Elmore Leonard, if synonymous with Francis, is the role of the hero as knight errant, a Sir Galahad pitting his wits against the evils of

Fulfilling a mission, righting wrongs, Tor Kelsey and Bryan Hurd, however different their approach, know that their cause is just, even though, as the former painfully comments, "the acid iron

(is) that the bad might feel more satisfied and fulfilled than the good".

From thrillers to short stories, Maxim Jakubowski's New Crimes (Robinson, £5.99) is an interesting and varied mixture of the private eye, locked-room psychological and suspense offering. There is a good sprinkling of famous names, both British and American - Barnard, Cody, Lovescy, Pronzini and Paretsky to mention but a few. The problem with this type of short story is that it is difficult to develop the necessary complexities of plot. which is why the psychological New Crimes linger in the memory.

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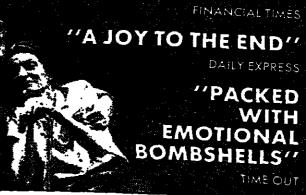
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Richard Morrison reports on the annual showcase for the best young musical talent, which takes place in London next week

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.TELEVISION ...

The RBC is in all probability as unpopular on the terraces of Miliwall Football Club as it is in certain parts of Westminster. Wednesday's rough-edged Screenplay Firsts drama, Arrivederci Millwall, repeated in fiction what, as long ago as 1977, a Panorania renort on hooliganism had said in fact — that no one likes a Millwall

And so says the terrace chant: "No one likes us -- we don't care", except that they plainly do care. Concluding that the surest way of reversing a trend of unfavourable media exposure was to make a programme about themselves, an independent company called Working Pictures (Miliwall) Ltd took advantage of Channel 4's open-house commissioning policy to come up with last night's more flattering portrait.

If No One Likes Us - We Don't Care (Channel 4) is anything to go by, the club song should be changed to "Ain't Misbehavin'". Dubbed the Lions because their team plays at the Den, contributing fans seemed eager to plead that, when it comes to what one old newsreel pedagogically described as their "discordant" conduct, the Millwall war cry is not a roar but a

And they were clearly not on their best behaviour simply for the cameras, as last season Millwall won the "community club of the year" title, which for decades would have been as Indicrous as Wimbledon winning the Cop.

With an eloquence one has con not to expect of football talk, yesteryear's Lions, with gloriously dd-fashioned names like Alfie Bullious and Harry Plumb, compared the old times with the new. Less evocatively named your fans (Kevin Kesnpster and Carl Prosser) spoke just as arrestingly about their umbilical attachment to the club, and this is where No One Likes Us made its mark: supporting Millwall was variously likened to "breathing exygen", "a religion", and "a life sentence". "You feel safe there: it's your club," said one of them. If this revealing film does the trick, so will other people.

A footballer, believe it or not, encapsulated in two words what This Is Me Since Yesterday (BBC 2), a profile of artistic Glasgow at the beginning of its Annus Mirabilis, 180k 90 minutes to illustrate, Graeme Sounces, manager of Rangers, and buyer of English players, described the move north for his Sassenach imports as a "culture shock", a phrase which ordinarily means not much but which this mostly means much but which this vastly enter-taining glut of Glaswegiana in-vested with renewed resonance.

orget the glittering galas at the Garden, the pretty picnics at Glyndebourne, the magnetic maestro at the Barbican. For connoisseurs of true aural excitement, the really important events in Britain's classical music calendar happen all next week, twice nightly,

in the Purcell Room. It is the annual "Park Lane Group Young Artists and 20th Century Music Series". Not the world's pithiest title - doubtless if it were organized by the South Bank Centre it would be marketed under some charismatic label, such as Interface! — but it does describe it accurately. The Park Lane Group is a small but irrepressible organization that has run these events for the past 34 years. (It took its name quite legitimately, from Park Lane House in Park Lane, which an arts-loving Bradford accountant loaned free to a group of Guildhall music students in 1956).

The Young Artists are the cream of our music college graduates and undergraduates; about 160 audition each year, though there is room for only 15 soloists or ensembles. And the 20th Century Music is what they are encouraged to play; this year the programmes include 38 composers, 13 premières, six specially commissioned new works. Not that many of the young musicians need much bullying to be adventurous. For one glorious week, youthful idealism is placed in perfect equilibrium with pro-

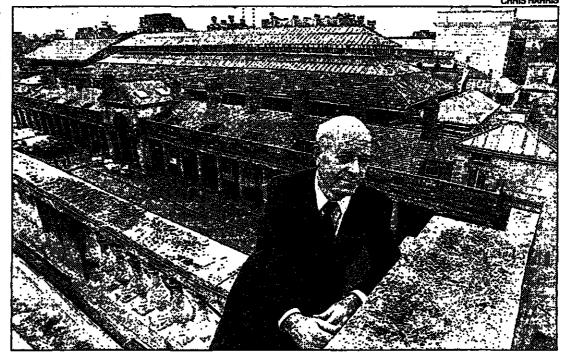
fessional opportunity. As the grey clouds of earning a living start to roll in, the brilliant Icelandic trombonist Sigurdur Thorbergsson may not easily find another major platform on which to deliver Stockhausen's In

Freundschaft, nor the pianist Jonathan Powell (currently an undergraduate at King's College, Cambridge) find it too easy to persuade other promoters to prgramme Brian Ferneyhough's Lemma-Icon-Epigram. In how many other concert series, one wonders pessimistically, will the oboist Alistair Lomax be able to slot in James Clapperton's The Foxe that Beguil'd the Wolfe under

the Shadow of the Mone? Choosing the players and the featured composers (Edwin Roxburgh and Anthony Powers this year, plus Tippett, whose four piano sonatas are dotted throughout the week) is all done with a very British fairness by a committee. But no one really doubts that one man, John Woolf, has been the driving force behind the enterprise since 1957. Woolf has a double life: when not in the PLG's Covent Garden office, he is across the piazza in the Royal Opera House, seated somewhere among the fiddles in the gloom of the Covent Garden orchestral pit.

Quite a contrast, between promoting highly-motivated, starry-eyed youngsters, and being a small cog in the structured, production-line music-making of a big opera house? "Hmm, pretty good music, though," replies Woolf loyally. "Without question a contrast, but I've never looked on either occupation as a grind." To Woolf and his committee

goes credit for some remarkable hunches: the 20-year-old John Ogdon was chosen as a PLG Young Artist in 1958 (four years before his Tchaikovsky Competition win in Moscow); a promising Welsh lass called Gwyneth Jones sang for PLG in 1959; Roger Norrington appeared in 1970; the now-famous min-



John Woolf: providing professional opportunities. "An outstanding performer will always shine through."

imalist Steve Reich in 1974; guitarist John Williams in 1962. jazz pianist Stan Tracey in 1973, and so on.

Woolf modestly plays down his own sharp-eared percipience. "An outstanding performer will always shine through. Once we auditioned a flautist, and I wrote down 'yes' after she had played one bar." However, he says that the

choice has become much harder. "The general standard among those we hear is far higher than when we started: we almost never hear a mediocre audition. as we sometimes used to. That allows us to look for the real performers. those who can put across contemporary music with panache.

"Nevertheless, I would like to think that if a John Ordon or a Dame Gwyneth Jones turned up for audition now, we would have the nous to pick them."

If the chosen do not come up to expectations, says Woolf, "it is usually because we have misjudged their character, not their ability. There was the brass group who auditioned well, then played dreadfully in performance, I managed to whittle out of them afterwards that they simply hadn't practised. Or the singer who, again, auditioned well, and did a good rehearsal on the morning of the recital. I said to her now go and have a good rest this afternoon'. 'Oh no,' she replied

brightly, 'I'm off to do a recording session'. Of course, when she sang in the evening her voice was extremely tired. That's what I call a deficiency of character."

The Park Lane Group receives funds from a variety of public sources and private benefactors, but Woolf has also used his contacts as a West End theatre musician to "create money": he organizes gala performances of West End musicals. "So far, we have done South Pacific, Anything Goes, and Brigadoon — a different sort of 20th-century music, but jolly good stuff. Well, perhaps not Brigadoon. In effect, you buy one of the previews, invite a royal guest, share the evening with a

charity, and create a committee of well-placed people who then sell tickets to their friends at outrageous prices. It's a good system."

Woolf will need substantial sums if his plans for expansion are to come to fruition. He sees 1992 as an opportunity for expanding the Young Artists and 20th Century Music series into European capitals, and also of establishing a European Young Artists Platform in Britain, as a way of showcasing brilliant new talent from around the continent. And he wants to increase the PLG's non-youth ventures, which have a high reputation. The PLG mounted John Ogdon's performance of the Sorabji's four-hour Opus clavicembalisticum.

Woolf also initiated the enter-

taining series of public interviews, "The Composer in Person", important for bringing to Britain such influential Americans as Aaron Copland, Morton Feldman, Steve Reich and George Crumb. "I particularly remember Crumb's appearance," says Woolf. "He's an easy-going fellow, takes his time over things. I sent him one letter inviting him, then another. No reply. I sent a telegram. No reply. Finally, in desperation a few days before the event, I telephoned America. 'Ah, Mr Woolf,' he said, 'I was thinking of getting in touch with you.' Well, he came and did the interview, and afterwards we all went back to the American cultural attaché's house. When we were seated, his wife turned to him and said, 'Well, George, you didn't tell them a thing, did you? And George replied happily, 'Nope'." The PLG Young Artists and 20th Century Music series is at the Purcell Room, South Bank, London SEI, from Monday to Friday, with recitals at 6.30 pm and 8 pm each evening.

#### HADIO Martin Cropper

Radio 4 reconstructed two significant trials: that of Lady Chatterley's Lover (Monday) and of the computer programmer Roc Sandford in File on Four (Tuesday). At stake were the freedom to read accounts of sexual congress and the freedom to visit discos without the police barging in and

"finding" drugs on one's person. Mervin Griffiths-Jones QC met his match in Penguin's parade of expert witnesses, and the planters and framers of West End Central came unstuck with Sandford, who had the nous to take notes at the time of his arrest and who could lay his hands on £15,000 to hire a decent brief.
Some victims of police malprac-

Morals go on trial

pointed lawyers who know nothing of drugs and care little about their client's fate. Sandford, whose parents wrote Cathy Come Home and Up The Junction, had the further advantage of understanding narrative, motive and so on. So, too, did D.H. Lawrence, and I would have listened to the much-publicized serialization of his overheated novel on Book at Bedtime (also Radio 4) if only my butler had not dissuaded me on moral grounds. That joke has doubtless been

around these 30 years, and would therefore have merited inclusion in Pull The Other One! (Radio 2. Thursday), a kind of old jokes' home in which David Frost does tice are defended by court-ap- his best to revive the art of the

music-hall MC while being drowned out by Frank Carson Bernie Clifton and Ken Dodd. Impressive line-up, no?

The format, if such it can be called, consists of Frost reading out bizarre newspaper items and inviting his guests to explain them. This immediately triggers a barrage of terrible end-of-the-pier routines, each comic vying to unload his accumulated store of bons mots on topics as diverse as garden gnomes, mothers-in-law, foreigners and nudism. In an extraordinary way they are all trying to become the same person: the ideal stand-up who is never at a loss for a merry quip. The audience is recruited from seaside postcards. This is museum radio.

CONCERT Hilary Finch

Gilbert Tribute Oueen Elizabeth Hall

He thought the use of the word "flantist" an affectation, and he helped to change the course of British flute playing from the Thirties onwards. He taught William Bennett and James Galway, and was part of the "royal family of Royal Philharmonic woodwind players which also included Léon oossens and Jack Brymer. Geoffrey Gilbert, flutist, who

died last year was commemorated on Thursday by no fewer than 20 of his pupils.

Susan Milan had co-ordinated a concert dominated by French music; and therein lies the clue to Gilbert's far-reaching influence.

Between the wars he had noticed that record companies consistently preferred French soloists to British. Gilbert listened to recordings of Marcel Moyse and René Le Roy, took lessons with the latter, and began to change his embouchure and articulation in order to mould the vibrant, singing voice of the French school.

David Nicolson and Douglas Townshend gave us a taste of it in the carol-like Trio des jeunes Ismaëlites by Berlioz, a pastoral interlude accompanied by Caryl Thomas, harp, whose playing also graced Roussel and Debussy. The more sophisticated, more oblique beauty of the instrument was displayed in Roussel's Serenade Op. 30 (William Bennett, joined by David Nolan, Graham Oppenheimer and Robert Bailey), with the sustained vibrato of the flute suspended above sustained non-

vibrato in violin and viola.

accomplishment. If Mozart's D Major Flute Quartet (Michel Debost) had been a damp start, Peter Lloyd and Trevor Wye's duetting in Honegger's Rapsodie (with Thea King and Ian Brown) was testimony to the subtlety of phrasing and dynamic shaping encouraged by Gilbert. And Susan Milan's live contours, vivid contrasts of register and a vibrato focused with scarcely any breathiness provided the most beautiful playing of the evening in Debussy's Sonate en Trio.

It was an evening of interest and

It was a particularly nice piece of programming to assemble a flute choir of 20 Gilbert pupils for a final curtain call to the life and works. An arrangement of Eigar's Serenade for Strings for every was followed by a witty, piping transcription of the Entrance of the Queen of Sheba. Quite an exit.

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Romeo and Juliet The Pit

Barring yet more hesitation and delay, this is the last production. Terry Hands will offer London before the white smoke goes up from the Barbican chimneys, amouncing his successor to the RSC throne; and a pretty gripping evening it is, vivid and pacey, at times almost too pacey. So keen is one watchman to communicate Juliet's suicide that he proclaims her still "warm" from five paces away, forgetting he is wearing

Farrah's Verona, with its grittily concrete back arch, looks like the patio of a villa for upmarket tourists and a pretty variegated crowd has gathered there. The Capulet yobs only need bovver boots to pass for soccer hooligans. The nobs speak straight Oxbridge, the Nurse and Peter come from Munumerset, and the home of David O'Hara's Mercutio is urban Scotland. One imagines this pale, uneasy creature transposed to some Glasgow bar, buttonboling the clientele with sexual imuendo, then suddenly, unpredictably clobbering someone with a broken bottle. He is a most unfunny Mercutio, but not untypical of this Verona.

It is a volatile place with a demonstrative citizenry. Touches

## Too great the love

quickly become cuffs, and cuffs blows. When Mercutio insults Jennie Heslewood's Nurse, his reward is a thwack in the genitals, and his reply to that is to goose her with a bluntness that nowadays might land him in court. Bernard Horsfall's superficially genial Capulet sums up much, checking the unruly Tybalt with a violence that almost breaks up the party he is throwing.

One might have expected a Romeo and Juliet whose tragic flaw was that they shared the local recklessness and emotional ferocity. Instead, Terry Hands sees them primarily as uncomprehending victims of Veronan insensivity, external chance and, not least, their own immaturity. They are a vulnerable pair, unwontedly near the tender ages Shakespeare meant them to

be, and a touching one too.

Perhaps as a result, Mark Rylance does seem less peppy, even a bit wetter than Romeo should be. True, he can show temper when pushed to extremes as he is by the murderous Tybalt, whom he kills with real venom and then almost eviscerates with his hands. But in love he develops a querulous throb which irritated me as much as it did Mercutio. It was necessary to remember that it was not us he was marrying, but Juliet; and impressionable girls have odd tastes.

In any case, a definite chemistry develops between him and Georgia Slowe's Juliet. Indeed, the climax of the balcony scene is not verbal at all, but a look that goes on and on and on, as if they were mesmerized by each other. Most of the time I, for one, was so taken with Miss Slowe that none of her lover's gaspings and gulpings greatly mattered. She really looks 13, and acts it

too, giggling with the servants and playing childhood games, like tip-toeing along the lines of the pavement as if on a tightrope. She is innocent and open in and out of love - and, of course, all unprepared for what happens to her. One moment her eyes are sparkling at the prospect of Romeo's arrival; the next, she is red-faced and screaming in disbelief at his banishment; and the next her appalling father is, believe it or spanking her for disobedience.

She has not yet the range that she will doubtless develop: she is



Undying love: Ryland and Slowe

better at communicating excitement than pain, still less the gravity Juliet seems to acquire near the end. Yet that is not altogether inappropriate, given the production's emphasis. This Romeo and Juliet is less a tale of two great lovers than of two very young people faced with unbearable pressures before they can understand them; two children who – dare one say it? – might even have grown out of the love that now seems to them so allabsorbing. It is a tragedy of the

## Playing with truth

Jeremy Kingston

**Blood Relations** Old Red Lion

Oedipus killed one parent and tragedies are written about him; Lizzie Borden killed both parents and is immortalised in four jokey lines. Assuming, that is, she did kill them; the jury at her trial acquitted her, unable to accept that a nicely brought-up Massachu-setts spinster should take an axe

and give her mother 40 whacks.
"When the job was nicely done,
She gave her father 41." In fact, 39 whacks and 13 respectively, but the poet did not let accuracy stand in the way of a neat rhyme. This tense and impressive play

by the Canadian writer Sharon Pollock looks beyond the jaunty verse to imagine what might have caused such outbursts of wrath, The first can be readily understood: resented stepmother (not mother, who died when Lizzie was an infant) encouraging her grabby family to dip into the Borden wealth. But to set about her father later the same day is what gives the crime, as Henry James would have said, the extra turn of the SCIET.

The play begins 10 years later, in 1902, with Lizzie still living in the family home with her elder

sister, well played by Christine Kimberley as a portrait of spine-less decorum, who daily asks: "Did you, Lizzie? Did you?" The young Boston actress with whom Lizzie is new enjoying a "liaison" also wants to know the treth, so Lizzie teasingly consents to a reenacting of the events, with the actress playing Lizzie and she herself playing the maid whose evidence helped to free her. This unlikely game is a kurdle

to our belief, but once it has been jumped the stilling conditions of life in the Borden home develop their own momentum. In seeing Lizzie as a woman struggling against a wide range of pressures to conform, the author creates the character of a rebel unable to submit without losing her identity. Susan Franklyn as the Actress Lizzie gives a beautifully sustained performance of tension gradually coming to its snapping-point, her pearly-sweet smiles peeling away to show the new-forged steel in her

She is finely partnered by Judith Scott as the real Lizzie, whose memory of her father's killing of an awkward puppy chimes with Franklyn's similar speech about her murdered birds. The writing contains many such parallels and the balance of rage and light relief is excellently found in Riel Karmy-Jones's direction.

## Fine tribute well portrayed DANCE

John Percival

Ashton Gala Sadler's Wells

Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet performance last night was a gala in memory of its founder choreographer, Frederick Ashton. Its president, Princess Margaret, was guest of honour at the event to raise funds towards a studio above the new Lilian Baylis Theatre that will bear Sir Fred's name.

Rightly, the main work was the biggest of those which Ashton created specially for this branch of the Royal Ballet. The Two Pigeons is one of a group of dusty though once famous ballets to which he gave fresh life by new choreography which respected their stylistic origins but infused a contemporary sensibility into characterization and plot.

Sandra Madgwick, who danced the young heroine at this perfor-mance, has become one of its outstanding interpreters, thanks to the bubbling humour she finds for the early scenes, the indignant determination with which she fights for her man when the glamorous gypsy lures him away, and the fearful depth of love she shows at their reunion.

Her face becomes an open book on which every feeling is legible; her sparkling bravura technique presents Ashton's steps brightly, vividly and musically. Michael O'Hare gives a lively

account of her young man but seems too good natured to convince me that he would go rushing after a wicked vamp. Chenca Williams plays this

gypsy enchantress with a wholehearted (if slightly tongue-incheek) enjoyment of her shimmying naughtiness. Apologies, by the way, that a mishap to my notice of Las Hermanos this week mixed up her and Mireille Bourgeois. I'm amazed that on such a gala

occasion the company could not put out another of Ashton's ballets to complete the bill. The obvious choice would have

been Valses Nobles et Sentimentales, his first creation for this company, and overdue for another showing. We were offered, Fokine's Les Sylphides in a sound but occasionally plodding revival. Karen Donovan, in the first waltz, was the best of the soloists;

simple and unforced, except for

some strange poking movements of her hand in one descending



Gypsy dance: a wholehearted performance from Chenca Williams

phrase. It seemed perverse of Yannick Stéphant, a French guest star for this programme, to choose the prelude for her solo; she made little of it (including some sadly perfunctory assembles), whereas on past form I would have expected the mazurka to suit her

Roland Price partnered her

handsomely and has an engagingly soft manner in his solos but not enough underlying strength. I imagine that Ashton would

have been tickled pink to learn from a bizarre alleged chronology printed in the programme that he once worked as a dancer under Njinsky. He should have been so

#### **DISASTER STRIKES AT THE** DONKEY SANCTUARY

On Wednesday 20th December 1989 during a storm, a lightning strike caused the Sanctuary's computers to literally "blow up" This could not have come at a worse time as hundreds of people have written in with donations and orders for Christmas.

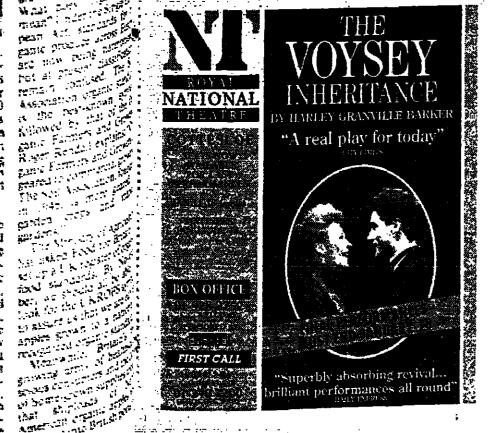
The Donkey Senctuary would like to apologise to anyone who has written in and has not received a reply. It is hoped that the Sanctuary will be able to replace the computer, worth over £50,000 by early February, and in the meantime staff have been working flat-out over Christmas and the New Year to answer as many letters and orders as possible. THE DONKEY SANCTUARY, SIDMOUTH, DEVON EX10 ONU

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ival Rigolettos emerge hot on one another's heels from Italy's two leading opera houses and very different they are. Riccardo Chailly in Bologna goes for the all-star cast, including Luciano Pavarotti as the Duca, returning to a role he recorded more than 15 years ago, also for Decca. June Anderson and Leo Nucci are by his side, and Decca, with a trace of smugness, an-nounces this is the trio about to appear in the Met's forthcoming production of Rigoletto.

Riccardo Muti at La Scala favours a more austere way with Verdi. He stands by his current favourite baritone, Zancanaro, but brings in two young Italian sing-ers, Daniela Dessi and Vincenzo Lo Scola. According to his usual custom. Muti cleanses the score of all the additional high notes that have accreted over the years, and has his singers deliver exactly what Verdi wrote for them.

Chailly's greater licence cer-tainly makes his the more exciting and popular of the two sets. Much of this is due to the highly extrovert performance from Pavarotti. The tenor sounds not only match-fit, but positively hungry to attack the notes before him. In the first encounter with Gilda this Duca is clearly out to sweep her off her feet, and in the cabaletta of the following scene Pavarotti displays some amazing notes. Occasionally he presses the voice a bit too hard, but it would be difficult to imagine a more vigorous or resplendent performance.



Match-fit and hungry: Luciano Pavarotti photographed at the Rigoletto recording session in Bologua - an extrovert Duca sweeping Gilda off her feet in a resplendent performance

June Anderson's Gilda was heard at Covent Garden not long ago, and is another very assured performance. She does not aim at the wistfulness of a Cotrubas, but prefers a girl of stronger metal, letting the notes of "Caro nome" trail behind her like sea spray caught in the sun. Leo Nucci, without probing Rigoletto's misery (or spleen) like some of his predecessors, is throughly satisfy-

The weaknesses of the set come in two parts which should have been easy enough to cast: Maddalena and Sparafucile. Shirley Verrett is inadequate as the sister, and Nicolai Ghianrov lacks all menace as the hired dagger. Together they put a momentary

stackener on the high-tension conducting of Chailly and the Bologna forces who have been playing so well for him.

Riccardo Muti also begins at a great rate with the Scala orchestra, although his timing for the first scene is within seconds of Chailly's. Thereafter he takes a calmer and darker view of the opera. The Scala strings are heard at their best when despair is in the air, as Rigoletto rounds on the courtiers. Giorgio Zancanaro, his baritone coping easily with this high-lying role, is at his most imposing here. Elsewhere a little more emotion could have been allowed through.

Scola, has been a Pavarotti replacement in the theatre before now, but there can be no pretending that he has the vocal swagger of the real article. His tone is too often spindly and he is at his weakest in the Act I duet with Gilda, "E il sol dell'anima", where Pavarotti carries all before him. Daniela Dessi sings prettily enough for most of the time as Gilda, but like Lo Scola never seems to arrive at a characterization to impose itself on the mind and ear. The Maddalena and Sparafucile (Martha Senn and Paata Burchuladze) are a notch up on those of Decca, but scarcely world class, with Burchuladze once again failing to get his bass The young tenor, Vincenzo Lo around the Italian vowels. Muti

himself provides the main reason for acquiring the set for those who want a de-glamorized Rigoletto.

Anyone trying to produce a "definitive" edition of Halevy's best known opera, La Juive, would have a mighty task before them. The Philips version, begun in 1986 and then interrupted by the ill health of Jose Carreras in the role of Eleazar, Jew and jeweller, carries well over three hours of music. But the accompanying booklet admits that the available score has still been quite heavily cut. And quite right too.

Halevy was an almost exact contemporary of Meyerbeer, and he composed here on a Meyerbeerian scale: five acts with a central ballet, massive chorales,

a punishing aria for the tenor (the score's most famous number, "Rachel, quand du Seigneur") at the end of Act IV, and a shock denouement when the Jewess of the title turns out not to be a Jewess after all. But amidst the sprawl there is much fine music, and not all of it for the fanatical Eleazar, portrayed by Carreras in ringing tone almost too noble for the part. Caruso made his last stage appearance in the part on Christmas Eve 1920, and closer to our time Richard Tucker and Tony Poncet have recorded bits of

Both Rachel, the "Jewess", and ber rival, the Princess Eudoxie, have notable numbers, including the Act III Bolero for the latter,

reaches builty 5 (1) units of the dom, but these are still restless, invigorating performances, with Plasson bringing out the rough-hewn individuality of Lalo's orchestrataken in flowing style by June Anderson. Just before there is a persuasive duet for the pair of them, with Julia Varady mightily impressive in the title role. Hale vy's casting is odd: there is a second high-lying tenor part, in which Dalmacio Gonzalez has fewer dificulties with the notes than with the French, no baritone, and a major bass part, the Cardinal Brogni (Ferruccio Furlanetto), who dispenses curses like confetti. Antonio de Almeida, who tackled this opera earlier with Tucker, makes a powerful advocate for the work with the Philharmonia and

CLASSICAL UPDATE

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Mozart Aras Lou, Lerry Course (ASV DCA 683). A winning Felicity Lott, though rather dimiy supported, in a range of arise from early (one from Mitrides) to late, from inevitable (Exiting jubilate) to unfamiliar (the

choice inserts for Louise Villeneuve in *Il burbero di buon* 

Franck, Magnurd: Violini sonatas Dumay, Collard (EMI-CDC 7 49890 2). Dumay's tigit

line tugs at the rhythm of the Franck sonate to find more:

sinew than opulence: a tonic performance. The big Magnard sonata suffers by having its

dependence on the Franck exposed, but establishes its

own sombre thoughtfulness.

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the Ambrosian Opera Chorus, A hugely enterprising set and a major contribution to the rep-

#### JAZZ UPDATE

Almeida/Berbosa-Lima/Byrd Music of the Brazilian Masters (Concord Picante CCD-4389). Three guitarists meet for a folksy celebration of music by composers as diverse as Villa-Lobos and Antonio Carlos Jobim. Though the arrangements sound bland at first hearing, the understated playing yields much charm.

Ruby Braff/Dick Hyman Music From My Fair Lady (Concord CCD 4393). Bewitching interpretations to set alongside Me, Myself And I, Braff's trio album from earlier this year.

Panama Francis & His Savor Sultans Gettin' in The Groove (Black & Blue 233-320). Unashamed, uncomplicated riffs and swing from the drummer's 1979 line-up, boasting such veterans as trumpeter Francis Williams and alto player Norris Turney.

## Toned-down histrionics

ess is more. The old truism comes to mind over the new album from Pharoah Sanders, a saxophonist who has always had a weakness for grand statement

Once fond of out-Aylering Albert Ayler, he has moved a long way towards the mainstream over the past two decades. Old habits die hard, however, and his recent concerts have shown that he has not completely shed his habit of bludgeoning audiences into

A Prayer Before Dawn is not the first album to reveal the more introspective side of his character. But this performance boasts a sense of economy which sets it apart from previous outings. JAZZ **Clive Davis** 

Pharosh Sanders A Prayer Before Dawn (Theresa TR127)

While long-time Sanders fans may well find it too emollient, the rest of us can wallow in its languid

There is an appealing, ad hoc quality to the pieces, most of which started out as first-take duets between Sanders and the pianist, William Henderson. Henderson later overdubbed synthesizer arrangements which are, fortunately, too rudimentary to be a distraction.

"After The Rain", the Coltrane

composition which closes side one, actually comes from another date altogether - a live duet in Frankfurt between Sanders and nanist John Hicks, No recording dates are given, and the fact that the track makes a suitable finale to the static, suite-like arrangement of the opening tracks is presumably the result of quick thinking by producer Allen

After bearing the saxophonist in so many conventional quartets and quintets, the sound of these spacious modal compositions comes across as all the more

atmospheric. True, they come close to New Age background music at times, tipping over the edge altogether on Henderson's solo feature "Softly

for Shyla". But there is an inward calm about Sanders's own playing which lifts most of the music out of the rut.

To prove that he is still canable of summoning up the furies, he switches to a Spanish double-reed instrument on "Midnight At Yoshi's", a Moorish vamp which meanders against a backdrop of drums, tabla and sarod.

Most surprising of all is the decision to cover the schmaltzy, romantic pop hit, "The Greatest Love of All".

George Benson poured a triple helping of syrup over the song some years back. Sanders's eloquent solo, straying very little from the melody, manages to endow it with more dignity than it

really deserves.



New economy: Pharoah Sanders, still accentuating the introspective

## Perfect balancing act

BAROQUE

Stephen Pettitt

Otter/Varcoe/Dawson/Rogers/-English Concert & Choir/Pinnock (Deutsche Grammophon Archiv 427 624-2) (compact disc) Lambert: Lecons de Tenebres Brett/Crook/Rime/Stutzmann/-Foulon/Buraglia/Piveteau. (Virgin Classics Veritas VCD 7 90821-2) (2

In short, Trevor Pinnock's new recording of Purcell's Dido and Aeneas is a gem of a performance. Its secret is that the balance between intimacy and momentousness seems just about perfect. The scale of the voices Pinnock uses is neither on the one hand too inflated nor on the other too schoolgirlish. Despite the fact of the famous performance by girls at Josias Priest's boarding school in 1689, this is a chamber opera about mature people and their emotional needs. Anne Sofie von Otter is perfectly cast as Dido; she Emma Kirkby, but has a voice of modest power and vast richness. Moreover she uses it not to be an imperious queen (as Norman and, to an extent. Dame Janet Baker do) but a distinctly human one. Kirkby's recorded performance, with Andrew Parrott, was pretty enough, but she did sound rather like that paradox, a virgin siren. Von Otter's pacing and shaping of the part is intelligent and inspired, and another advantage of this version is that Stephen Varcoe is no idiotic Aeneas but a plausible fellow, eager to do what he thinks

morally best. The master stroke, however, has to be the casting of Nigel Rogers in the role of the Sorceress, a decision based on Restoration stage traditions and on the evidence of a fate 18th-century manuscript. All this is explained in Curtis Price's

excellent accompanying essay.



Distinctly human queen: an inspired Dido from Anne Sofie von Otter

Rogers, who also sings the part of the First Sailor (again, something historically justified), produces exactly the right timbre for the Sorceress to sound convincing, not merely pantomimic. Lynne Dawson gives a sympathetic, clear-voiced Belinda, the English Concert (with oboes and bassoons added) and Choir make a discplined yet warm sound, and Pinnock directs with a sure sense

of dramatic pacing.
Michel Lambert, Lully's fatherin-law, died the year after Purcell. His influence on French music was great; he became chief musician of Louis XIV's Chamber and he was a progenitor of the long, highly elaborate vocal lines which reached their expressive maturity in the work of Rameau a century and more later. These settings of the nine Lessons for the Tenebrae Offices will not lift the spirits, but in their sombre way they are beautiful if undramatic creations. They are sung here by a strong team of four singers,

Noeme Rime (soprano), Nathalie Stutzmann (contraito), Charles Brett (countertenor) and Howard Crook (tenor). Rime's relaxed line in the first

two lessons of Good Friday is beguiling, though a measure less so than Crook's in the Third Lesson; perhaps one associates the solo male voice more readily with a devout atmosphere. Brett, on the other hand, sings somewhat stiffly in the First Lessons of Holy Wednesday and Maundy Thursday; Lambert's ornaments demand a flexible delivery if they are successfully to decorate and enhance; otherwise they make a spurious claim to be the substance. Stutzmann at times sounds fairly masculine; she is an ardent and stylish advocate of this music, though some might dislike her vibrato and portamenti.

The continuo team, led by Ivete Piveteau at both harpsichord and organ, is not always as unanimous as it might be, but it makes an apt, firmly supportive sound.

## Deceit behind the carnival

The guests at Schumann's masked ball on this first record include 12 other composers, all of them turning images of dance into the real thing, which turns out, of course, not to be the real thing at all: Carnaval is all about veiling, allusion and secrecy, whereas these orchestrated versions bring the references embarrassingly out into the open. The waltzes become particularly blatant, none more so than "Promenade" in the scoring by Nikolay Klenovsky, who is very audibly here a pupil of Tchaikovsky and takes the music

close to Eugene Onegin. Klenovsky's effort forms part of the complete Carnaval orchesCLASSICAL

**Paul Griffiths** Schumann: Camaval Berlin RSO/Gülke (Koch Schwann

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trated by various hands and choreographed by Fokine for Diaghilev. The same composer is also responsible for showing the problems in scoring something as intangible as "Arlequin", while Glazunov produces a souping up of "Chopin" for solo clarinet, harp and strings. Sometimes, though,

the lesson in changing taste is conveyed with greater fascination. Just for a moment, for instance, one catches sight of Rimsky-Korsakov in a proudly coloured 'Florestan", and there is also a vivid Russian brilliance, with glockenspiel, in Alexander Tcherepnin's "Papillons".

Four of the pieces are also included in re-orchestrations by Ravel, done for Nijinsky in 1914. Ravel is a little more tactful, although he does make "Paganini" a virtuoso piece for the brass, besides which Lyadov's string solution seems a bit cowardly. Altogether the release intrigues as much as it appals.

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from most good stationery shops,

to form an instant guide to the hits

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Alan Marks's Schumann recital provokes mixed feelings of a slightly milder sort. The recording quality is extraordinary: there is an almost shockingly real sense of a piano being played in an almost empty room. I also admire Marks's discretion — the objective clarity, cool and rhythmic evenness of his legato playing — as much as the virtuosity he needs and shows in the F minor sonata. But that work arguably also needs more flash and variety, and the C major Fantasy, particularly in its middle movement, comes to seem bewildering for its patchwork construction and squareness of

ROCK UPDATE

The Only Ones The Peel Sessions Album (Strange Fruit SFR 102)

Guitarist John Perry reckons that these 16 songs, recorded at BBC sessions for John Peel's Radio One show, are

more representative of the Only Ones' sound than the

ories sound treat me equivalent album versions. Adenoidal singer-songwriter Peter Perrett's visions of rampant, sensual gloom have certainly never sounded more wracked.

#### A-Z GUIDE TO ROCK

Part 11 of David Sinclair's collectors' A-Z, a guide to the essential performers of rock. To qualify for inclusion in this series, an act

must have sustained a recording career of at least 10 years, and have mustered at least one decent album during that time. The entries are designed to be pasted

and misses of rock history.

THE ROBERT **CRAY BAND** 

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Anglo-Californian "supergroup" of Crosby, Stilis, Nash & Young
was the musical personification of the
Woodstock generation. Crosby Stilis &
Nash struck out with an eponymous
1969 debut that comprised much pleasant acoustic-rock noodling such as
"Marrakesh Express", but it was the arrival of Neil
Young which finally put some lead into the group's
pencil, and resulted in the 1970 follow-up. Deja Vu,
one of the finest monuments ever erected to the
flowering of the hippie dream. That same year Young
released his landmark solo album, After the
Goldrush, an epic catalogue of melodic rockers and
ballads sung in his uniquely tremulous, keening
voice. Stephen Stills (1970) was a passable effort,
but Young was the only one to carve a solo career of
lasting merit. CSN&Y stumbled on in various on-off
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NEXT WEEK: The Cure, Deep Purple

#### CROSBY, STILLS, NASH & YOUNG

With their airy harmonies and earnest political idealism, the Anglo-Californian "super-

permutations, eventually turning up (minus Young) like Banquo's ghost at Live Ald with hairlines, walstines and harmony lines all sadiy gone to pot.

Bobby Brown Dance! . . . Ya Know it! (MCA MCG 6074) Brown spent more weeks on the UK chart than any other act in 1989. This compilation of 12in mixes includes all the big hits — "My Prerogative", "Don't be Cruel", etc.— together with material from his US debut King of Stage. Efficiently pneumatic dance-floor mixes.

thousand garage bands: "I'm Waiting for the Man", "White Light/White Heat", "Sweet Jane", "Rock and Roll" et al.

The Velvet Underground The Best of the Velvet Underground (Verve 841 164-1) Sensible collection, helpfully sublitted "Words and music of Lou Reed", which revisits the catalogue that leurched a thousand respectively.

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WEATHER

Cold

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The waves of Arctic air that

have swept down across the eastern United States to Florida in recent weeks are a useful

reminder of the variability of the weather, and of the im-

portance of a wider perspective

British Isles will get within a

week or so. In the most direct

sense this assumption is noi-

sense. But there is a more

subtle explanation for the

possible connection between

weather events on each side of

the Atlantic. During the win-

ter, the westerly circulation of

the upper atmosphere in the middle latitudes of the north-

ern bemisphere can adopt a

meandering pattern. Because this circulation steers the sur-

face weather systems, it leads

to Arctic air sweeping southwards in some places, while in

the intermediate regions this is

balanced by warm sub-tropical

air moving northwards.

Cold weather in the eastern

United States is usually linked

with a circulation pattern

centred on the Rocky Mountains, with warm air moving up

to the West, while cold air

sweeps down from Canada.

Downstream, the next wave in

the meandering pattern can sometimes produce an area of

high pressure close to the

British Isles which can bring

On longer term trends the

American experience is ins-

tructive. While there is clear

evidence of a global warming

trend, in the United States

annoal temperatures have re-

nained virtually constant for

100 years. Furthermore, dur-

ing the last 15 years the

eastern half of the country has

experienced an exceptional

number of record-breaking

So, to the extent that British

winters are linked to those

across the Atlantic, the mess-

age is clear. The exceptional

mildness of the last two win-

ters is no sign that the climate has changed. After all, it is

only three years to the day

since we started a cold spell

that brought the lowest day-

time temperatures of the cen-

tury to southern England.

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on global weather events. Winter weather in the United States is of particular interest, as it is widely held to be a harbinger of what the

#### **GARDENING**

Francesca Greenoak asked six well-known gardeners what promises they had made for the new year

## Well-rooted resolutions

Most people make a few resolutions, but many founder even before Twelfth Night. Macter: Area of Life of ASV DCA SES: A winted section of the control of the contr For guidance on longer-lasting resolve, I asked several wellknown gardeners about their intentions for the year ahead.

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Beth Chatto has made an art of growing unusual plants in her extensive gardens, cul-tivated on a difficult piece of ground in Essex - cold and indswept in winter, with dry infertile areas interspersed with boggy waterlogged ground. Herskill lies in understanding the nature of the plants she grows, and making sure each is placed in a habitat in which it can thrive. Her philosophy is that it is both sesthetic and practical to put plants into the conditions to which they are adapted. She gets her information from reading and travel, and this year she has resolved to apply some of her most recent travel in Australia and America.

Having made herself a new long bed about 30ft (10m) by 5ft (1.5m) in an area of the garden which has "poor grav-elly soil — quite similar to the rubbly conditions one might find on moving to a new house", she has decided "not to put anything there which needs watering, but to create a tapestry effect with dry climate plants - not necessarily all from the same country". Having covered the bed over with gravel and placed some large stones on top, she has begun to plant "principally for foliage, though there are flow-

She chooses grasses such as the blue Festuca glauca, the tell, North American Chasmanthium latifolium (often seen as Uniola latifolia), tosettes of sempervirens of different kinds, mounds of thymes, raoulia, and small lewisias. Introducing plants suited to similar conditions although not geographical neighbours gives her the "stimulating and romantic thrill of contriving completely new combinations for the

First priority is to "compost gardens, not only for new

Goathland

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ew Year's resolu-tions are a cape-ing green manures in between cious hold-all of garden crops is also high on ideas, from the all-his list, as is dotting the flower purpose selfinjunctions to be good, down
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weed, buddleia, and teasels
which attract hoverflies (which prey on aphids) and

A plan of action, taking

account of personal preferences, double cropping and rotations for different crops, is also important. This month, Chris and his wife will be sowing broad beans, Aquadulce Claudia in pots in the greenhouse, to be planted outside in March, when he will start off a few dwarf French beans inside. Sowing a kind without much foliage, such as Selka, he gets early crops without taking up too much space. Another practice he resolves to continue is to use some finely woven horticultural fleece, both as a barrier against carrot fly and to make a frame around the runner beans - "this little bit of protection gives them a really good start". Another resolution involves experimentation to discover a seed compost which is not environmentally destructive in the way peat extraction is: ideally something he can make for himself, recycling some part of his garden waste or locally available product.

School is out at the Oxford Botanic Gardens, but the head gardener, Timothy Walker, is thinking ahead. "Usually I don't get around the walls often enough: we prune in winter and leave it at that. We always leave some places untouched for the birds to nest in, but this year I want to go around the wall at least once a month, giving the plants a bit of shaping or pruning, before things grow into each other in an untidy tangle."

He also intends to keep his secateurs at hand "to restrict overgreen shrubs and dwarf trees which quickly dominate and crowd beds". Lawns too will get extra attention; the edges of the beds will be levelled and repaired, and the grass cut more regularly. He also plans "to give more attention to the unusual fruits in the garden: make jellies of quince and medlars, and steep service berries (Sorbus torminalis) and whitty pears Organic gardener Chris (Sorbus domestica) in Algar has built up a set of brandy". Finally, he says: and his wife self-sufficient in working in your own place - I flowers, fruit and vegetables. mean to visit lots of other



plants, but to see plants I know grown in new ways."

At the National Centre for Organic Gardening (at Ryton on Dunsmore, Coventry) the chief gardener Sue Stickland has worked out a set of resolutions to guide her through 1990. Her first and most important priority is to go around the garden every day. "There is no substitute for keeping a close eye on things - you can nip any trouble quickly before it becomes a difficulty if you become aware of it in good

nother overall stricture is not to be too impatient. "One always wants to get native species, such as the going as soon as green-winged orchid, which possible in spring, but there has a range of colour forms really is no point putting in from almost white to deep seeds or plants until the soil purple. A kind of negative warms up." She also aims to resolution is to leave the space look over the machinery used in the old orchard where a in the garden: "Nearly all old number of mature trees fell. mowers will work on unleaded because it created more open, petrol, but they must be lighter conditions "so good for decoked first." When the wild flowers". Another plan

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care for steam eagines. Follow

a wide track, newly restored by

conservation volunteers. Both are on the trail that follows the

route of the dismantled Whitby to Pickering Railway.

Hole on huge stepping stones, part of the masonry of an old bridge. Beyond the hamlet choose either the footpath to

the right, leading to Mallyham

Spoot, a spectacular 70ft

waterfall, or continue along the trail, the famous Beck

Turn left at the edge of the

village along the 18th-century

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Hole incline, to Goathland.

Cross the Eller river at Beck

mowing begins in earnest "the from spores: it's not so diffilawns will be cut when they require it, not simply on a rota cult, it's just that I haven't got down to it yet, but this year I basis which takes no account of what the grass is doing. If In her famous garden at Barnsley House in Gloucesterit's growing fast, we might cut twice in a week. In dry weather

three weeks. When we mow,

we keep the blades at a 1-1.5in,

and just shear off a small

Christopher Lloyd has a set

of resolutions for his famed

garden at Great Dixter, en-

tirely plant-centred. First, he

has decided to grow orchids

from seeds — not the huge flowered exotics, but homely

the worms."

Fylingdales.

when growth is arrested, we shire, Rosemary Verey gives could leave it for two or even priority to walking about the garden. "Not as obvious as it sounds - I shall try to see it with new eyes," she explains, amount which we leave to be "trying to discover new combinations and different taken back into the ground by things to do with existing piants.

"This winter I have been taking the lower branches were looking dull and dead, year."

for this year is "to grow ferns and removing up to six feet of branching has opened up possibilities for planting foxgloves, violets and other flowers beneath. I'm also experimenting with the trees

in the lawn, making each of them a bed of one yard (im) square, edged with dwarf box. I'm trying to work out what to plant inside them - bulbs for the spring and some interesting annuals, perhaps. "Don't ever think you haven't got room for bulbs,"

she adds. "You have - but it is important to make a plan of where you have planted them from some of the conifers in to make sure you don't put in the flowerbeds. The bottoms clashing things in another

#### **WEEKEND TIPS**

 Inspect stored apples, potatoes, onions and carrots for signs of decay.

 Prune indoor and outdoor grapevines at once if not already done.

 Pick winter iris (ins.) unguicularis) to keep blooms coming.

· Keep off lawns which are very wet or frost-covered. They may be cut if necessary, but only when dry and with the mower blade set high. Continue to plant bare-

rooted trees and shrubs, so long as the weather is

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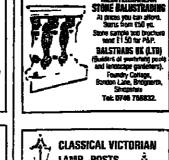
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of a 10-letter word. APACE A PECAN --

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Four teams took part in seven events.

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would be taken into account and so on. ALBION improved on their score in each event. DIGBY scored different points in each event. CLANKERS were outright winners of event 4. BURLING were outright winners of event 5.
As it happened, all four teams finished level on points. Which team was declared the winner?

#### LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

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Linkword: The anagram spek IMPOSSIBLE. The Linkwords were SPOIL, SLOPE, POEMS, PROSE, PROBE, BORNE, SNORE, RESIN, REIGN, GRIND, GRAND.

#### COLLECTING

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£3,000, and the same estimate

is put on a large (251/2 in x 381/2 in) view of Moret in

France by Oswald Garside, An

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intent than a vigorous figure drawing by a cinquecento Italian and a gentle early 19th-century English landscape, but watercolours and drawings tend to get humped together for no better reason than that, unlike oil paintings on canvas or panel, they are usually executed on paper. This, to-gether with an insistence on quality and authenticity, is the decisive parameter imposed on exhibits in The World of Drawings and Watercolours, an event now in its fifth year to be opened at the Park Lane Hotel, Piccadilly, on January 24 by John Ward, CBE, RA.

There will be none of those arbitrary "date lines" that are applied at antiques fairs; this one claims to cover "the whole spectrum of schools and styles from the 16th century to modern times". The 50 exhibitors will be offering works by everyone from Barocci to James Thornhill, with a spe-cial emphasis on Scottish works, and will cover a price range of £100-£40,000. "Good value" is promised in the traditional field of the early English watercolour, to be represented more strongly this year than in the past, with landscapes by David Cox, William Callow, Peter de Wint and John Varley.

What passes for "good value" these days? This is a market in which prices have increased over the last few years to the point where pleasant views by little-known artists sell for hundreds, while a chocolate-box cottage scene by a big name such as Helen Allingham can bring many thousands. Good water colours were absurdly under-

KEYBOARD CRESCENDO: A highly decorative, handpainted 7ft 5in grand piano built in 1894 and the property of Mike Batt, who used it in the composition of many of his works, including "Bright Eyes" from the film Watership Down, appears here (est £35-£40,000). A total of 73 lots of pianos ranging from an upright Boyd (est £150-£250) to grand pianos at £2,000-£3,000 upwards, including Bechsteins, Broadwoods, Steinways and Bluthners, in the only quarterly sale of planos in London. Phillips West Two, 10 Salem

Drawings and watercolours go on sale in London

and Chester. Peter Philp offers a preview



Putting pen to paper: detail from "Gipsy Encampment" by Joseph Farington, RA (1747-1821)

priced not so long ago, and the collector might expect to slightly over 8in square, is perhaps what might now pay in the open market for appear to be prodigal pur-some minor masters of the chases may yet prove to be Away from the sophis-

ticated delights of a London fair and into the hurly-burly of a provincial auction room, the pre-sale estimates of watercolours in Sotheby's sale at Chester on January 18 provide an indication of what

Road, London W2 4DL (01-229 9090). Sale Thurs (Jany 11) 10am; viewing Tues Jan 9, 10am-5pm, Wed Jan 10, 9am-7pm, and Thurs Jan 11 9am-9.45am.

SWANWICKS SHOW: Bonhams are selling the studio of the late Betty Swanwick, RA, who died in 1988. Her output was small, the auction has only 119 lots, but some very fine drawings and late pictures with a pronounced Stanley Spencerish look. Bonhams, Montpelier Street Knightsbridge, London SW7

some minor masters of the 19th or 20th century. In the £400-£600 bracket, there is a restful landscape, Evening on the Conway by Albert Pollitt, signed and dated 1902; a pretty girl in a flower-filled garden by William Frederick Ashburner is estimated at £500-£700; a peregrine falcon

Charles Tunnicliffe. SALES GUIDE

1HH (01-584 9161). Sale Jan 31, 11am. Viewing Jan 28, 2.30-5pm; Mon-Tues (Jan 29-30) 8.45am-7pm.

**WATCH WONDERLAND:** A good cross-section of wrist and pocket watches in a twoday mixed sale with examples by Rolex, Omega, Patek-Philippe and Jaeger Le Coultre. It also includes long case, mantle and carriage clocks and barometers as well wild extravagance to be con-cealed from one's friends.

My own feeling is that Italian and French drawings by minor masters of the 16th and 17th centuries, whether in pencil, chalk or ink, are still a good by in the 6750.62 000 good buy in the £750-£2,000 price range, but this is an area calling for expert advice and a willingness to dismiss from the mind the idea of a highly finished picture. During the Renaissance and early baroque periods, artists made studies - of the human figure especially, but also of animals, battle scenes and architectural subjects - not as marketable products in themselves but as preliminary sketches, often lacking the detail and the sense of composition that we tend to look for in a "picture". That is no reason for not buying one for its own sake, as a fine piece of draughts-

Both drawings and watercolours are prone to fading and also to "foxing" with small brown spots, caused by a combination of damp and acidic backing materials, these can be removed by expert restorers. In the process of reframing, acid-free materials should be used, and when hanging the picture, avoid too sunny a position.

• "The World of Drawings and Watercolours", Park Lane Hotel, Piccadilly, January 24-28, 11am-8pm (7pm last two days), admission £6 including illustrated catalogue. Lectures on January 25 by Juon Mallalieu 2.30pm, Brian Sewell 6pm, £12 each. Advance information 01-491 8806; during fair 01-499

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Focus

Antiques guides to divide the cynics from the aesthetes

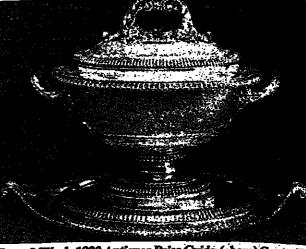
## Value beyond price?

he new edition of Miller's annual Antiques Price Guide illustrates about 8,000 items, most of them in the traditional fields of furniture, porcelain, glass, clocks, rugs and silver, but many in such categories as "kitchenalia", luggage, in-struments both musical and scientific - every item with a short description and an estimated price. There are, for example, 22 fans ranging from £300 to

£2,500, compared with only five, estimated at £95-£180, in the 1980 edition. Lady Windermere's example, which gave rise to the classic definition of a cynic, may not be among them, but some of us, while not indifferent to aesthetic values, still want to know the price of everything, and although the editors emphasize that this is a price guide, not a price list, the temptation to compare estimates in the 1990 edition with those of 1980 is irresistible. A figure of £340-£370 was

suggested in 1980 for a first period Worcester dish, 9in in diameter, painted with flowers; the punter of 1990 is led to hope for a plate of the same period, only half an inch smaller and decorated in much the same way, for £100-£150. It is true that dishes, being rarer, cost more than plates; and that prices for porcelain fluctuate according to fashion, so that some of the classic 18th-century work now commands less interest than does highly decorative 19thcentury china. (A Royal Worcester vase, painted by H. Davis in 1911, was assessed at £490-£560 in 1980, while a similar one painted by the same artist in 1907 is put at £3,000-£3,500 in 1990.) Even so, I doubt that it will be possible to buy much good 18th-century Worcester for £100 in the coming year.

Price brackets of £70-£90 and £60-£80 each were suggested 10 years ago for Regency decanters similar to those currently assessed at only £90-£120 and £180-£200. It would have been quite easy to buy a late Georgian cut-



From Miller's 1990 Autiques Price Guide. (above) George IV soup tureen and cover, with George III stand, £6,000-£8,600; (below) Staffordshire saltglaze sauceboat c1755, £4,006-£5,000



glass decanter for £70 in 1980. but how many good specimens are on the open market

today at less than £200? Turniture is always a fairly reliable guide, especially for oak and country pieces - a market prone to sudden surges of enthusiasm followed by troughs of despond, but with an underlying upward price trend. The 1980 figure of £2,300 was about right then for a Welsh cwpwrdd tridarn (three-tiered court cupboard) unat should now easily reach the estimate of £5,000-£7,000. Victorian furniture has also shot ahead: the walnut Davenport desk of about 1850, rightly valued in 1980 at £370-£420, would certainly fetch the £1,200-£1,500 suggested for 1990, while a set of six mahogany cabriole-leg chairs with balloon backs (£540-£640 in 1980) have a near equivalent in a similar set in walnut, estimated now at £1,500-

£2.000. Miller's Guide is particularly strong on middle-market items; it is less concerned with "important" pieces and does not include fine art is a record in full colour of their prize pieces in the 1988-89 season, ranging from Tig-tian's Penitent Magdalen (£1,650,000) to a German toy
— a clockwork battleship of 1904 (£39,600).

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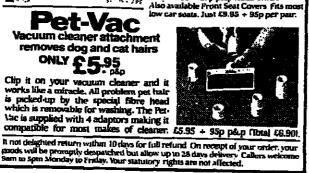
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Nicole Swengley takes a cold,

from the aesthete

calculating look

at fridges:

the vital features and the costs

sales in full swing, now is a good time to consider buying, or replacing, a fridge. The

consumer magazine Which? has tested 37 fridges of worktop height and taller, and come up with some firm Its report also highlights areas of good and bad design, giving ideas of what to look for

vien buying If you already have a senarate freezer, choose a larder fridge, one without a frozen food section. These are usually easier to keep at the correct temperature, need no defrosting and are cheaper to run.

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To cut the risk of food poisoning, keep your fridge at thermostat control.

food compartments have a frozen food section is likely to be several degrees too warm. does mean that you cannot rely on your two-star comparta month, which is what it

be used for making ice-cubes but not for storing food.

with frozen food compartmanually, every few months. All except one offered a satisfactory method of collect-KDC1533 the water collects in is necessary to swab it out.

5°C or colder. All the fridges tested in the Which? report could manage this, though it is impossible to know what temperature your fridge is mainnaining just by looking at the The report indicated that

the manufacturers ought to build thermometers into their fridges. Until they do, buy a fridge thermometer.

Most fridges with frozen

particular problem at cool room temperatures. If you get the fresh food compartment at the right temperature, the This is not a health risk but it ment to store food at -12°C for should do.

When checked at a room temperature of 16°C, the fridges tested managed between only -3°C and -8°C. In other words, a one-star performance (one week's storage at -6°C) from a two-star com-

The Banknecht KDC1533, £230, has a three-star compartment, which can store frozen food for three months. All the others tested had twostar compartments. None was suitable for freezing fresh food. The Indesit R1402WG larder fridge, £110, has a nostar compartment, which can

All the larder fridges tested defrost automatically. Fridges ments need to be defrosted, ing and removing the defrost water: with the Bauknecht Fridges consume electricity BEST BUY: The Frigidaire R1590, £140, has good temperature control and is cheap to buy and run, despite several drawbacks in terms of convenience RECOMMENDED: The Liebherr KT1910-5, £180; Philips ARG 193/PH, £180; Zanussi DR56/L, £185 (Electrolux RF593 is similar)

**BUYING GUIDE** 

Worktop-height with frozen food section: BEST BUY: The Zanussi DR50/2, £140, offers good performance at a middle-range price with no serious convenience drawbacks Tail larders:

GOOD VALUE: Electrolux RP1016, £240; Hotpoint iced Diamond 8149W, £250; Philips ARG711/PH, £240. These have few convenience drawbacks. The Proline R111, £220 (Scandinova KS315-47 is similar) is cheap for its size but has convenience drawbacks

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at a slower rate than many other domestic appliances but, because they are plugged in for 24 hours a day, the energy used mounts up. Fridges vary in how efficiently they use electricity. Some need more than twice as much electricity as others to keep the same amount of food cool

Worktop-height larders:

Tall larder fridges, including the Electrolux RP1016, £240, and Hotpoint Iced Diamond 8149W, £250, both made in the UK, scored well the bottom of the fridge and it in terms of electrical efficiency, as did the Italian-made Philips ARG711/PH,

£240, Danish Proline R111, West German Bosch KSR2512, £325, and Swedish Asko Polar KS3501, £370. None of the worktop-height fridges with frozen food compartments proved energy-

efficient. Among the worktop-height larder fridges without frozen food sections, those which performed reasonably efficiently included the Bosch KTR1541, £220; Eurotech LR1001, £130; Frigidaire £140; Philips R1590, ARG193/PH, £180; Zanussi ZR60/L, £240.

All the worktop-height fridges fitted under a standard height (87cm) kitchen work surface. But bear depth in mind if you have any deep skirtings, pipes or sockets that may get in the way. Remember, too, that some fridges need to have their doors opened beyond 90 degrees to remove the shelves. which may mean extra space

● The Which? report tested fridges for ease of use and ease of cleaning. The AEG Santo 2500KA, £280, and Bauknecht KDC1533, £230, have solid

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may find more convenient than the grid type for storing small items. They also help to prevent liquids dripping from one shelf to another and may, therefore, cut down the risk of cross-contamination - a major cause of food poisoning.

Best Buys: Frigidaire R1590 and Zanussi DR50/2, both £140

• Four fridges were rated unsatisfactory by the Which? convenience asssessors. The Romanian NEI142, £100, has many sharp edges and dirt traps; the Russian Snowcap 150DL, £90, has too little shelf storage area, and the drip trays are difficult to remove and replace; the UK-made Tricity comfortable to grasp:

R4008, £125, lacks an interior light, its thermostat marker isn't clear, and only one tall bottle can be stored in the door rack; the Swedish-made Asko Polar KS3501, £370, has an ineffective light in the top bottom compartment and a door handle that is un-

comfortable to use. As far as convenience is concerned, the report noted the following points which are worth considering when buying a new fridge:

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 Are there lots of sharp edges?

• Are there any dirt traps? Does the fridge have rollers/castors? Does it have adjustable

Is the thermostat marker clear?

 How easy is it to press the defrost control? • Are the drip trays easy to remove or replace?

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which lets tall bottles stand in the main compartment? What sort of door stor-

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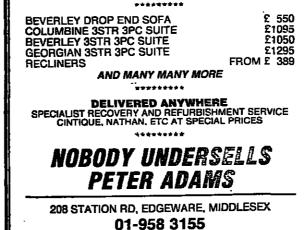
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#### THE WEEK AHEAD



Trials: Martin with Steenburgen

#### CINEMA

#### **GEOFF BROWN**

IN COUNTRY (15): Earnest problem piece about a country diri (Emily Lloyd) and her uncle (Bruce (Emily Lloyd) and her uncle (Bruce Willis) — a Vietnam veteran. Directed by Norman Jewison. Warner West End (01-439 0791),

ROSALIE GOES SHOPPING (15): Broad satire from director Percy Adion and the ample Marianne Sägebrecht. Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue (01-836 6279), from Fri.

TURNER AND HOOCH (PG): Pedictable cop-and-dog antics, given some charm by Tom Hanks' as the police investigator. ster Square (01-930 6111), from Fri.

nce a boyish member of the Happy Days television troupe, Ron Howard is now among Hollywood's most ambitious, fantasyoriented directors. His new film Parenthood comes far closer to real life than Cocoon, with its fountain of youth, or Willow, awash with trolls. Yet this is reality brightly coloured, packaged like chocolates variously containing heart-warming comedy, pathos, drama, and Steve Martin's unique brand of shick. The theme is the joys and curses of parenthood, seen from the perspective of a large middle-class family. Martin (pictured above with Mary Steenburgen) plays a father over-anxious for his eight year-old to assert himself; Rick Moranis is the egghead in-law cramming his three year-old with foreign languages. The problem teenager makes an appearance with Dianne Wiest's daughter. At the top of the family tree sits grandfather Jason Robards, confronting his black sheep son Tom Hulce, aged 27. Parenthood, it seems, is never over. Plaza (01-437 1234), from January 12, certificate 15.

#### BROADCASTING

STEVIE (1978): Glenda Jackson plays the poet Stevie Smith, with Mona Washbourne as her maiden aunt, in a sensitive transcription of Hugh Whitemore's stage play by director Robert Enders Channel 4, Wed, 9.15-11.10pm.

**ORANGES ARE NOT THE ONLY** FRUIT: Geraldine McEwan and Kenneth Cranham in Jeanette Winterson's adaptation of her loosely autobiographical novel about a young girl growing up in Lancashire. BBC2, Wed, 9.25-10.20pm.

GERONTIUS: Fictional reconstruction by James Hamilton-Paterson of Sir Edward Elgar's poignant voyage up the Amazon in 1923. With Michael Hordern as

Elgar. Radio 4, Wed, 11-11.47am.



Conceptual process: John Virtue

PHOTOGRAPHY

THE ENGLISHNESS OF ENGLAND: Humphrey Spender's glorious and evocative view of England during the late 1930s, specifically the Worktown series on Bolton which he shot for the Mass Observation movement at the time. Daniel Farson's portraits in comparison are attogether more intimate and, as a result, parochial. Birch and Conran, 40 Dean Street, London, W1 (01 434 1246), until Feb 2.

ROBERT FRANK: Photographs from the set of Hugh Hudson's film, The Road Home which captures the essence of America during the 1950s and as a result mirrors Frank's well known photographic essay of the period. Zeida Cheatle Gallery, 8 Cecil Court, London, WC2 (01 836 9596), opens Wed. Until Feb 16.

#### GALLERIES ....

#### DAVID LEE

SHADOW OF THE GUILLOTINE: Britain's response to the French Revolution as seen through art and ephemera. Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester (061 273 4865), from Fri.

OLEG TSELKOV: Paintings by a leader of the Russian avant-garde. Connaught Brown, London W1 (01-408 0362), from Fri.

**MARTIN FULLER: Recent** landscapes plus some paintings inspired by city life.
Austin/Desmond Fine Art, London WC1 (01-242 4443), from Tues. PAUL NASH'S PLACES: Selection of 65 paintings, drawings and photographs showing the landscape artist's attachment to a handful of motifs which recur in his

Royal Albert Memorial Museum,

Exeter (0392 265858), from today.

he drawings and paintings of John Virtue, such as "Landscape Number 81" (in background above) work in the opposite way to an impressionist picture where the subject becomes more legible

as you move away from it. At a distance, Virtue's works resemble controlled, monochrome abstractions, but, as you approach the picture its complex make-up and detail become apparent. Each painting comprises a grid containing anything up to 200 distinct landscape views. For 10 years Virtue lived in the Pennine village of Green Haworth. The artist now lives in South Tawton, Devon, where his formerly descriptive style has become looser and more atmospheric. Virtue's working process is fashic nably conceptual. Walking around the village each day he makes a series of rapid sketches which are then worked up in the studio for inclusion in the finished paintings. Implicit in this approach is the belief that no single view of any place can evoke fully its identity. Ten New Works, an exhibition of paintings by John Virtue, opens Friday, at Lisson Gallery, 67 Lisson Street, London NW1 (01-724 2739), Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-1pm, free, until Feb 10.



Nostalgic: John Dankworth reunites his acclaimed big band and the Dankworth Seven at Ronnie Scott's

JAZZ

**CLIVE DAVIS** 

nce upon a time no worthwhile British film seemed complete without a sound track by John Dankworth. Still busy at 62, the composer-saxo-

phonist will be in nostalgic mood at Ronnie Scott's Club for the next fortnight when he leads a rennion of his two most celebrated units — his big band and the Dankworth Seven. At its peak between 1950 and 1953, the Seven provided challenging assignments for some of the country's best jazz musicians. Dankworth's first big band made use of increasingly sophisticated

HAL GALPER: A sideman with Stan Getz, Phil Woods and Zoot Sims, the pianist appears with the house trio led by Peter Ind. Bass Clef, London N1 (01-729

2476), Tues-Thurs. LAVERNE BUTLER: Sophistictaed evergreens from the American singer, entering the final week of her residency. Pizza On The Park, London SW1

(01-235 5550), until Sat.

JANUSZ CARMELLO: An evening of standards dedicated to the memory of fellow-trumpeter Clifford Brown. Pizza Express, London W1 (01-439 8722), tomorrow.

AKEMI KUNIYOSHI-KUHN: Accompanied tonight by bassist Marcio Mattos and drummer Eddie Prevost, the avant-garde planist prepares to go on tour with Jazz

earthiness of American outlits. Apart from his film scores, Dankworth has composed a nam-

charts, some of them too mannered

ber of large-scale works which combine jazz and classical techniques. A determination to bridge different forms of music led him to found the cultural and educational foundation, the Wavendon Allmusic Plan. Co-headed by his wife Cleo Laine, it is now celebrating its 20th anniversary. Ronnie Scott's Club. London W1 (01-439 0747), Mon-Sat January 20.

> Services "Piano Triad" next weekend Jazz Cafe, London N16 (01-359 4936), tomorrow.

CYNTHIA SAYER: Something of a rarity, the American banjoist appears with Bruce Turner (Wed), and Keith Nichols (Thurs, Fri). Pizza Express, London W1 (01-439 8722), Thurs; The Stables, Wavendon, Milton Keynes (0908 583928), Fri.

#### ROCK DAVID SINCLAIR

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TEARS FOR FEARS: Earnest Roland Orzabal and cute Curt Smith, with current blockbuste album The Seeds of Love. Point, Dublin (0001 363633) tonight; Kings Hall, Belfast (0232 665225), Mon: Apollo, Manchester (061 273 3775), Wed and Thurs. SIMPLY RED: Back for yet more triumphal arena residencies. Wembley Arena, Middlesex (01-902 1234), Mon, Tues and Wed; London Arena, E14 (01-538 1212), Fri and Sat 13.

HUE AND CRY: Rescheduled tour now that Patrick Kane's voice has St George's Hall, Bradford (0274 752000), Fri. recovered.



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Deadpan pianist: Jools Holland

ith their jaunty rhythms, catchy tunes, economical arrange, ments and quirky, sentimental lyrics about the mundanties of everyday life, Squeeze came to prominence in 1978 under a mildly revolutionary banner as A&M's first "new wave" signing after the Sex Pistols. Early hits, like "Cool for Cats" and "Up the Junction" took a sex Pistols. Early hits, like "Cool for Cats" and "Up the Junction" took a walk on the seedy side of South London. The group's strongest card has always been the songwriting partnership of Glenn Tilbrook and Chris Difford. The band split up in 1982, however, just as they were on the verge of making a breakthrough in America. Only the pianist Jools Holland prospered, so in 1985 the group reconvened and took up its rightful place as one of English pop's more quaintly charming if delapidated institutions. Their album Frank, released last September. was a typically solid affair exciting rather less comment than the sight of Holland desdpanning his way through Juke Box Jury. Newcastle City Hall (091 261 2606), Thurs; NEC, Birmingham (021 780 4133), Fri.

#### PARTHEATHE ASSE

THE HUMAN VOICE: Susannah York stars in her own translation of Jean Cocteau's play, a monologue set in a room in Paris; directed and designed by Simone Bermussa of the Theatre du Rond Point. As seen in several places since its 1984 premiere. For one week only. Hampstead Theatre, Swiss Cottage Centre, London NW3 (01-722 9301), opens Mon.

THE PELICAN: World premiere of Gregory Motton's translation of a Strindberg "chamber drama" about a family, facing the death of the father and realizing the falsity of their life together. Directed by Janine Wunsche and Mark Brickman.

Gate Theatre Club, above Prince Albert Public House, 11 Pembridge Road, London W11 (01-229-0706), previews Tues, Wed, opens Thurs Until Feb 17.

BENT: Ian McKellen and Michael Cashman star in a revival of Martin Sherman's powerful drama, first staged at the Royal Court, about the persecution of homosexuals in Nazi Germany. Directed by Sean Mathias National Theatre (Lyttelton), South

Bank, London SE1 (01-928 2252), opens Fri, then in repertoire.

#### OPERA.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE: Revival of Elijah Moshinsky's powerful production of *Otello*, now with Carlos Kleiber conducting a cast led by Placido Domingo and Katia Ricciarelli, First night tonight — (7.30pm), then Tues and Fri. Der Freischütz (Götz Friedrich revival) continues its run, Mon and Thurs. Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-

**ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA:** Today at 2.30pm and 7.30pm, strong revival of David Pountney's magical 1950s style production of Hansel and Gretel (also Tues and Thurs at 7.30pm). Faust is revived on Wed (also Sat Jan 13 at 7.30pm) with Arthur Davies as in the title role and John Tomlinson repeating his gripping Mephistopheles. Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-836 3161).

**OPERA NORTH:** On Thurs at 7.15pm new production of Don Pasquale introduces Donizetti's opera to the company repertoire. rith Andrew Shore in the title role. Also, revival of lan Judge's challenging Tosca opens on Wed at 7.15pm, now with Janice Cairns in the title role. Grand Theatre, Leeds (0532 459351).

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#### CONCERTS

DOMUS/TOMES: Yet another 

NAUM NOTES: In another series, the International Piano Series, Naum Grubert performs Schubert's last Sonata, D 960, and Schumann's Variations on a Theme by Clara Wieck. Queen Elizabeth Hall, Tues, 7.45pm.

**OPPITZ OPPORTUNITY: Gerhard** Oppitz performs Brahms's solo piano music, starting with the Scherzo Op 4, Sonata Op 5, Rhapsodies Op 79 and Pieces Op

Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935 2141), Wed, 7.30pm.

BAKELS BRAHMS, BERLIOZ: The Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra is conducted by Kees Bakels in Brahms's Academic Festival Overture, Berlioz's Symphonie Fantastique and Tchaikovsky's Violon Concerto with Joshua Bell as soloist. Wessex Hall, Poole Arts Centre, Kingland Road, Poole (0202 685222), Wed 7.30pm.

KIRKBY CONCERT: As part of the International Lieder Recital Series, Emma Kirkby sings Saracini, Strozzi, W. Lawes, H. Lawes, and others. Queen Elizabeth Hall, Thurs,

7.45pm. BURGOS/BUCHBINDER: The LSO is conducted by Rafael Frühbeck de Burgos in Holst's The Planets and Beethoven's Concerto No 1

Barbican Centre, Silk St. London EC2 (01-638 8891), Fri, 7.45p

#### DANCE

ROYAL BALLET: Only one performance this week on Wednesday when Sylvie Guillem dances Cinderella for the first time. Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066).

SADLERS WELLS ROYAL BALLET: The London season ends today with two performances of The Two Pigeons and Les Sylphides.

Sadier's Wells Theatre, London N1 (01-278 8916).

ENGLISH NATIONAL BALLET: The Nutcracker continues nightly except Sundays until January 20. plus Saturday matinees. Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 8800)

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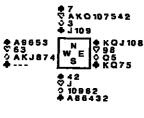
#### BRIDGE

from the banks of the Elbe to the beaches of the Black Sea the great Stalinist lie has been exposed. So let's start the New Year in a spirit of optimism laced (because we are talking about card players) with mendacity. Matilda may have told such dreadful lies, but she had nothing on a character called Oswald Jacoby.

Jacoby, like Guillaume

Deschapelles, was one of the greatest games players in recorded history. Guillaume le Breton invented the Deschapelles Coup in Napoleonic times, whereas Jacoby belongs to our own century. He has the distinction of giving his name to at least two bridge conventions and one very useful rule at backgammon. He also told some whopping lies, and here he is in action.

Sometime in the early days of contract bridge. Dealer



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E Jacoby's jump to seven spades not only reveals a degree of marital trust which largely belongs to a bygone age, but quite clearly conveyed the message that he controlled the first round of the heart suit. South smugly led the ace of clubs, enabling Mrs Jacoby to make the grand slam with no difficulty.

Be honest, now. What would you have led after such a bidding sequence? This is a neat hand to try on your friends because it lends itself to nice lines of reasoning. It is possible to argue thus: Jacoby says he isn't worried about the heart suit, so he wants me to lead something else. Therefore what he is really doing is trying to deter a heart lead, so that is precisely what I will lead."

Sometimes the lie comes in the opening bid. Suppose your opponents have freely bid a grand slam and you are on lead, in the unusual position of holding not one but two aces. You think they are bluffing. They are probably void in one of your suits, and if they are void in both then it doesn't matter any-

way. Your diamond suit is A 10 6 5 2 and your club suit is A J 8, so you lead the ace of clubs, obviously, since an opposing club void is less likely than a diamond void. Right? Well then, take a look at the following deal, recorded by Goren:

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West dealt, and after three passes South made the astounding bid of seven spades. West doubled and led the ace of diamonds, defeating the contract by one trick. South would have made

his contract against an expert, which only goes to justify the best rule of all: you are not playing against an empty chair. Sometimes you can fool a good player but not a bad player. You have to your opponent, as Jacoby did in the first hand. But try the second hand on your friends too, and if they say "Of course you must always lead the ace of clubs", you can quote Lord Grey of Fallodon at them:

"There is only one theory about bridge in which I have perfect confidence, and this is that the two words least appropriate to any statement about it are the words "always" and "never".

doomed. Chandler decides to Lord Grey was actually talking about fishing, but I did say this was going to be a column about telling lies.

John Graham

#### **CHESS**

oday marks almost the mid-point of the Foreign and Colonial Grandmaster tournament at Hastings, one of the strongest ever held in this country. In the early rounds that ingenious player, Jon Speelman. was responsible for some of the most entertaining chess, whether it was his draw with panicky defensive measures Michael Adams, the 18-yearover the coming moves. old British Champion, his hair-raising loss to the Russian, Sergei Dolmatov, or the following win against Murray bishop. Chandler. Students of the 23 axb4 game should pay particular attention to Speelman's strategic sacrifice of a rook for

Black's knight to undermine the hostile phalanx of pawns in the centre. White: Jon Speelman; Black: Murray Chandler. For-eign and Colonial Tourmore useful. nament, Hastings, Round 3. 28 Ca1 Be7

English Opening. exd5 12 b4 Speelman now proceeds to grant Black an invasion

square on b3 for his knight, but White was already envisaging a sacrifice of the exchange on that square. 13 bS

Na5 14 Na4 Nb3 16 8b4 a6 18 bxa6 17 e3 19 Not2 Already inviting Black to win the exchange with 19 ... Nxd2 20 Qxd2 e3 21 Nxc3 Bxf1 22 Rxf1 when, however,

keep his options open, but soon Speelman forces a similar variation. 19 ... No8 21 Cods Bc4 20 Nath3 cath3 Before capturing the sook

Black's pawn on d5 would be

Chandler drives away the White queen from its immediate attack against the Black pawn on d5. At this stage of the game Black was running very short of time and had to complete almost 20 moves in a little over five minutes. This severe time pressure doubtless explains Black's somewhat

At least Black succeeds in exchanging White's useful

Buft 24 Rxf1 Rc4 There is no way to defend the pawn on d5. Qd6 26 Nxd5 Rec8

Preparing to permit the trade of his bishop, but the immediate 27 ... h5 looks Hoping to play ... Bd8 in reply to 29 Qa7, but Speelman

prefers to sever the connection between the column of Black rooks. 29 Nixe7+ Oxe7 30 Bc6 h5 This and Black's next move

are too desperate. On no account should Black weaken

#### WINNING MOVE

In the diagram, Black to play, wins.



the pawn shelter around his

1 h4 g5 32 Odf gah4 If instead, 32 ... g4 33 Qd3 threatening Qxc4 and Qf5. 33 Oxth5 hxg3 34 Og4+ Kh7



White has no need here to permit complications after 35 Qxc8 gxt2+.35 Be4+ Kh6 36 Qh3+

White's 36th move forces checkmate in short order, so .. Raymond Keene

• The Foreign and Colonial tournament continues at the Cinque Ports Hotel, Hastings, up to and including Sunday January 14. Spectators are welcome, and International Master Andrew Martin provides a run-ning commentary on the moves

Send your answer on a postcard with your name and address to. The Times Wirming Move Competition. The Times if Pennington Street, London E7 9XN. The first three correct enswers drawn on Thursday next week will win a Times wallet-sized personal chess computer. The winting move will be printed in. The Times next Saturday.

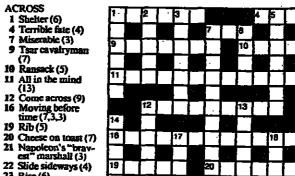
ution to last Saturday's position: White 5 with 1 Pxg7+,

The three wirmers of The Times personal chess computers are Geoffrey Phillips of Hewksheed, Cumbra, Mrs. L. Baker of Nuneaton, Warwickshire: and Ian Donaldson of New Waltham, South

#### **CROSSWORD**

#### CONCISE NO 2069

Prizes of the Collins Concise Dictionary will be given for the first two correct solutions opened on Thursday, January 11. Entries should be addressed to The Times Concise Crossword Competition, 1 Pennington Street, London, El 9XN. The winners and solution will be announced on Saturday, January 13.



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inder: readers wishing to enter the New Yest Reminder: feaders wishing to enter the New Year Jumbo crossword competition should post their solutions to arrive not later than Monday, January 15. Prizes of £50 will be given for the first five correct entries opened. Entries should be sent to The Times New Year Jumbo Crossword Competition, The Times, I Pennington Street, London, El 9XN. The winners and solution will be rubblished on Saturday January 20.

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THE TIMES

### The captain of Rothmans reports on the eventful finish to the third stage of the Round the World Yacht Race

## Having a whale of a time in fourth place

Apckland, New Zealand Yesterday is one I would rather forget. It began with a close shave with a pair of whales, including two near mon-overboard incidents, and ended with us blowing out the top of our mainsail and the measure of Merit during maxi, Merit, that the squall the closing stages of this third which hit at 90 degrees to the stage of the Whitbread race.

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But what a fantastic race -Rothmans finished a disappointing fourth, caught by a 35-knot line squall which blew the head out of our spinnaker, and broke the headboard car I should have relied on my



our close-quarter tessle with naker, just when we had Pierre Fehlmann's Swiss prevailing wind caught us both napping. As we rushed to get and welcome in Auckland, the spinnaker down, it broke

spinnaker, which refused to come down. It was they who looked to be in trouble, not us, but, after pulling level with them, the strengthening wind proved too much for our sail

My foredeck crew changed the headsail for the smaller No. 4 genoa in double-quick time but, with no reef lines set in the mainsail (another mistake), we were forced to let the the head out of our spinnaker, and broke the headboard car of the mainsail, just 25 miles from the Auckland line.

made a wrong headsail call.

I should have relied on my the front would quickly pass instincts, but changed my mind from the No. 4 sail to a minutes of banging and crash-

we could see Merit's crew of our challenge. By the time getting into knots with their we had pulled the sail down and replaced the car, Merit's crew had recovered their composure and pulled 10 min-

After racing almost neck-and-neck for the best part of 3,500 miles, the 81 minutes which divided first from fourth is really quite remarkable. It leaves us a 4%-boar chase to catch Grant Dalton's thirdplaced Fisher & Paykel, and a little less than a day to make up on Merit over the remaining 15,500 miles. The two-day 131/2-hour

advantage held by Peter Blakes's Steinlager 2 will now

rig has proved itself superior to the sloop in the predominantly offwind conditions met so far. Only when running before a gale do yachts like Rothmans and Merit hold any advantage. At other times, Blake and his boys have a boat that performs half a knot

Luck, or the lack of it, could still be the deciding factor. however. This was brought home to me yesterday after three extremely close calls during the run south from Cape Reinga.

The first came in the half-

Morton was the first to realise it was a whale close on our beam. Moments later, he spot- on deck and washed him over ted another half a boat's the lifelines. Thankfully, he length directly ahead, and it was only his quick reflexes which had as swerve around the beast.If it had been at night, there is no doubt that we

The second and third incidents proved even more unnerving when first Russell Pickthall, then Dave Powys, came perilously close to going overboard. In Russell's case, he had merely nipped across light just before dawn, when the deck to adjust the genoa

medium reacher. As the winds ing, the mainsail headboard take more than better tactics one of the crew spotted what car to produce a better lead for continued to build, not abate, suddenly broke. It was the end to beat. Her fractional ketch he thought was a log. Kim the genon sheet. Moments managed to grasp one of the stanchions long enough for us to pull him back.

> Dave, on the other hand was flicked overboard by one rould have crashed straight of the runners, and lay out over the side, his feet resting on top of the lifelines, while he held on for dear life to the swinging

Perhans we were lucky after all, just losing a spinnaker, the mainsail headboard car - and the race!

Race report, page 46



By John Goodbody Lou Macari, the former manager of Swindon Town, and Brian Hillier, the chairman of the club, face possible lifetime bans from football after allegedly being involved in a winning bet placed against their own club in an FA Cup tie at Newcastle United in

January 1988. The Football Association yesterday asked the club and both men to answer the under Rule 26a4. This forbids officials, players and managers to bet on any match other than on authorized and registered pools. Newcastle won the game 5-0.

Macari, now manager of West Ham United, who today meet Torquay United in the FA Cup, declined to comment yesterday. He said: "I knew about the problems when it was first announced a few months ago but I am not terday that there was no aware of any of today's suggestion that Hillier, Macari about the game tomorrow but not about anything else." Hill-

ier also refused to comment. The FA statement read: Swindon Town Football Club, its chairman Brian Hillier and former manager Lou Macari are charged that they were in breach of Rule 26a4 in relation to an alleged bet placed on the club's FA Cup tie against Newcastle in January 1988. They are requested to respond within 14 days indicating whether they require a personal hearing."

The FA Disciplinary Committee will appoint a three- Newcastle, then in the first



man commission from among its 25 members to hear the charges and it will have the

power to fine or suspend the individuals. The FA made clear yes-

been involved in fixing the result of the game. The FA mounted its own inquiry after evidence produced by The People newspaper. A spokesman at the FA said: "We have had an official digging deeply into this matter. It has become public knowledge and we were bound

to investigate." The FA asked the club to comment on the allegations that £6,500 was placed through a Ladbrokes official at Cheltenham racecourse on the day of the match when on to win. At the time of the story, Hillier denied that he had placed the bet.

When Macari, who has been a partner in a Swindon bookmakers, was asked in November, 1989 whether he had taken part in a bet against his own team, he replied: "You already know the answer but you have been misled."

This is not the first time that Swindon has been involved in a betting scandal. The club bet on itself to win the third division championship in the 1986/7 season, standing to win £50,000 from a reported £5,000 stake taken from club

Hillier said that the bet was a decision taken by the whole hoard to take out an insurance policy to cover any bonuses. He said Macari was not involved.

The FA saw no impropriety in the wager because it involved a large number of mes over a seaso individual matches.

However, the FA has reacted differently this time. The allegations are the most serious since the scandal involving 10 players, including England internationals Peter Swan and Tony Kay, in the early 1960s.

In January 1965, all 10 were given jail sentences after being found guilty of conspiracy to defraud by fixing matches. Swan, Kay and David Layne, the Sheffield Wednesday forward, were suspended for life, although Swan and Layne were reinstated in 1972.



Management position: Macari puts his West Ham players through their paces yesterday

#### **Doubts on** tour are discounted by Bacher

Johannesburg (AFP) - Ali Bacher, the managing director of the South African Cricket Union (SACU), yesterday dismissed doubts raised by Peter Hain, the anti-apartheid campaigner, about the unofficial tour by an England side led by Mike Gatting.

In a South African radio interview, Bacher said that he had spoken to Gatting, who, he claimed, was determined to come and form his own opinion about changes in South Africa. "We do not want to be confrontational, but the tour is a reality," Bacher said.

Hain wrote to Gatting this veek warning him that he risked considerable anti-apartheid protest if the three-week tour, which starts later this month, went ahead. But Gatting said that he would respect the advice of the SACU.

Meanwhile the department of home affairs in Pretoria has said that it will question the British embassy about Hain's apparently illegal entry into South Africa in November to gauge reactions to the tour. In visa exemption usually afforded to British subjects, but he arrived in Cape Town on a British passport on November 24 using the name Peter Western-Hain, the department said.

• Four former England Test captains are among the sig-natories to a letter from Freedom In Sport Inter-national in The Times today expressing admiration and appreciation of the work being carried out by the SACU in promoting cricket to all races in South Africa.

Letters, page 11

#### TRAVEL

#### IN THE LAIR OF THE **LEOPARD**

In Zambia some former hunting camps now specialize in walking safaris. On foot you seldom get as close to animals as you do in a vehicle, but walking can have its moments Andrew Powell was standing under a tree when a leopard

dropped to the ground just 15 feet away. You could sit in a Land Rover for a decade and never experience thrilling, he writes. Page 55



#### what are THE SKI **CHANCES?**

The new ski season has started badly. Falls of snow in the Alps have been insufficient for skiing on the lower slopes of many resorts. What are the chances of imminent improvement, what should you do if you booked two months ago, can you insure holiday? Travel Editor Shona Crawford Poole provides some

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answers.

#### Move may be sought by Cottee

Tony Cottee, the England international forward, is ex-pected to seek an end to his contract with Everton next week by submitting an official transfer request.

Cottee, who joined Everton rom West Ham United in July 1988 for a then British er record fee of £2 million, has been considering his future since being rele-sated to the substitutes beach for the game against Luton Town at Goodison Park on New Year's Day. If Colin Harvey, the Everton

anager, decides to name an schanged line-up for today's FA Cap third-round the against Middlesbrough at Ayresome Park, Cottee's eting frustration will

## Dreaded opponents at worst time

If there was one match, more than any other, that Alex Ferguson would have wished that his future at Old Trafford as manager did not depend upon, it would have been tomorrow's FA Cup third round tie against Nottingham Forest at the City Ground. In four FA Cup meetings, the most recent only last season when the two clubs met at the quarter-final stage, United have never beaten Forest.

Should United, already eliminated from the Littlewoods Cup, lose again under the gawking eye of the television cameras, the only hope of salvation for the United manager would be a spirited climb up the first division table from fifteenth place. That, on their recent form, seems unlikely.

Ferguson's job — almost literally — could be in the hands of Bryan Robson today. Robson, it is whispered none too softly in the corridors of giving him a fitness test. If he power at Old Trafford, will be tells me he is not feeling pain



the next manager of United if and when Ferguson fails. Whatever happens tomorrow, that is not likely to be before next season at the earliest.

United's inspirational captain has not played since leading them to a spirited goalless draw away to Liverpool four games ago because of a groin strain but, with typical courage, he is expected to return for this crucial

The irony of the situation will not be lost on Ferguson, who fully appreciates the galvanizing effect that the England captain, who has not trained for more than a week, has upon the United playing staff. "We are going to wait as long as we possibly can before

in his groin then I hope to play him," Ferguson said. "It is a very big game for us

perate to play. His presence would make a big difference." United, who lost Webb, their expensive acquisition from Forest, earlier in the season with a serious Achilles

tendon injury, are already without the services of lnce and Wallace, two of their other lavish signings this sea-son, with hamstring injuries, something of a common complaint at Old Trafford over the Injuries have been particu-

larly disruptive to Ferguson's plans this season, as they were last season, while the arrival of several new players has meant that an understanding would inevitably take some time to forge. It is all the more surprising, therefore, that so many people in the game tipped United as champ-ionship contenders. If one includes Anderson, who "There is no way we oplayed only a handful of anything else," he said.

from Arsenal last season, United would have been and Bryan is obviously des- attempting to blend six players into the side this season.

Nowhere is the mix, though,

more unsatisfactory than in attack where McClair and Hughes have failed to function as a pair and hardly much more beneficially as individuals. McClair, who has scored only four goals compared to the 30 he got in his first season two years ago, is notably out of sorts. His most recent goal was on October 21 and the last of Hughes's eight was on November 18. The only occasion on which they both scored was in the 4-1 victory over Arsenal on the opening day of the season. If ever there was a misleading dawn. . .

When Ferguson insists that United, who have not won in eight games, must go to Nottingham and attack, one is tempted to ask with what. "There is no way we can do



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#### McCrae starts health drive held at the Crichton Royal are in the lead. We will be

One of the smallest health boards in Scotland is to back a Promising young rally driver in an unusual sponsorship arrangement. Dumfries and Galloway Health Board officials are gearing up for the venture which will be the first time a health board has ventured into the world of rally driving

Colin McCrae, the son of Jimmy McCrae, who won the Shell Oils British Open championship five times, will travel to Dumfries next week for the launch of the Promotion.

The launch, at which both Colin and Jimmy McCrae and Olin's team manager, Peter Cattanach, will attend, is to be Hospital which is celebrating featuring such messages as its golden jubilee this year. The car will be decorated

with the board's name and the health messages which they hope will get across to the thousands of people who will attend the rally events and to those who remain at home but watch them on television.

Les Callaghan, the spokesman for the board, said yesterday: "This will certainly put our board in the fast lane during the coming season. Some people think that small boards like ours don't do enough to promote health

"Now we want to put this right and show them that we public.

anti-smoking, keeping fit and the awareness of AIDS." McCrae will have his Ford

Sierra Cosworth at the launch and will demonstrate his skills to members of the board including the chairman, James McIntyre, and to those members of the public who He will compete in the Shell

Oils British Open rally events which start next month, Dick Playfair, the spokesman for Lombard, said: "This is a very interesting move by the health board. It would seem to be a good way of getting a message across to the

back the decision." Simon Barnes's Sporting Diary, page 10

## St Helens challenge Murphy's allegation

yesterday about the attitude of

board's decision, made by the St Helens supporters to the parting of the ways with Alex directors. Frank Barrow and Murphy, the club's coach. He Eric Hughes, members of the alleged that as many as 4,000 coaching staff, also said they alleged that as many as 4,000 supporters chanted for the resignation of the Saints' board of directors before, dur-Murphy. ing and after a reserve team game at Knowsley Road on

Geoff Sutcliffe, the St Hel- team at Leigh tomorrow. "We ens secretary, said: "Some have not yet discussed the groups of fans set up chants in appointment of a new coach favour of Murphy, but there and our next board meeting is were nowhere near 4,000. We on Tuesday. Allegations that have had as many commun- we are chasing Australians ications from supporters who like Frank Stanton and Mal

Meainga are pure rumour,"

Marphy also alleged that St Scitcliffe said.

had been asked by the board to stay on but that they stood by their resignations in support of Shane Cooper, of New Zealand, will be in charge of the

Send to: There were conflicting reports Helens players had refused to sign a petition supporting the

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## Home heroes thrill the vast crowds in nerve-jangling duel

From Barry Pickthall Auckland

The people of Auckland shrugged off the wind and rain vesterday to turn out in force and welcome their home-spun yachting heroes into first and econd place at the end of the third stage of the Whitbread Round the World race.

After 3,400 miles, half a mile was all that divided Peter Blake's Steinlager 2 crew from their rivals on Fisher & Paykel, skippered by Grant Dalton, after the two New Zealand ketches had pulled out a 20-mile lead over the chasing sloops, Merit and

They were met by an armada of craft, which harbour officials later totalled at more than 1,000, ranging from windsurfers, canoes and yachts, to powerboats and ferries. Thousands more deserted their televisions, which covered the battle live for seven hours from dawn, to stand on the nearest headlands to watch the yachts pass. Passing Bream Head, 30

miles from the finish, Dalton and his crew had begun to make a race of it until, just as they drew level, a line squall caught both yachts. Blake and his crew quickly had the situation under control but the 35-knot winds, which swung in at 90 degrees to the prevailing winds, left Fisher & Paykel

The squall flattened us. We half-expected to see the mast in the water," Dalton said. It took them the best part of 10 minutes to retrieve their spinnaker, which was dragging in the water, and set genoa, by which time Steinlager had pulled five minutes ahead. crew unprepared and handing a 10-minute break to Merit, which retains second place

Third leg finishers

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Yachts still at sea

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English (tre), 65miles; 13, Belmont Fin-land, H Hartimo (Fin), 95; 14, USF Finland,
L Ingvel (Fin), 189; 15, Liverpool Enter-prise, 6 Selsmon (GB), 241.

An hour behind the two ketches, another battle was raging for third place between Pierre Fehlmann's Swiss maxi, Merit, and Rothmans, of Britain, skippered by Law-

The two sloops were locked together for a large part of 26 hours and, after a 25-strong gybing duel, there was nothing to divide them on the final 15mile approach to the finish.

Just then, a second line squall swept across Hauraki Gulf, catching the Rothmans crew unprepared and handing which retains second place lead.

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The squally conditions also caught out the Joint Services crew on Satquote British Defender, which trailed The Card, of Sweden. Fortuna and the Finnish maxi, Martela OF, were also caught by the violent change in the winds. After finishing eighth - their highest position so far - Salquote skipper, Colin Watkins, said: The wind suddenly increased from 20 to 40 knots and swung through 50 degrees. It knocked us down to the point where our mast was in the water."

Satquote crossed the finish line 39 minutes ahead of Charles Jourdan, the French ultra-light design, which col-lided with a whale last weekend and opened up a two-metre long gash down the yacht's starboard side.

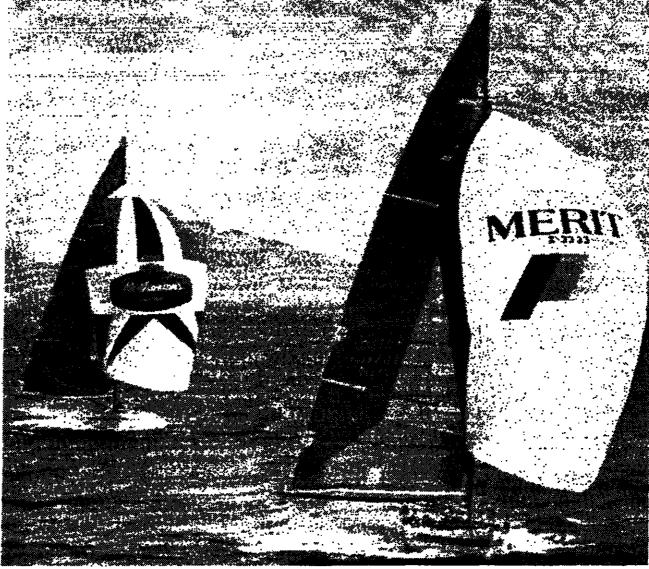
Alain Gabbey, the skipper, said that the damage was severe enough for the crew to prepare the liferaft, but they later repaired it with strips of aluminium and sticky tape. "It was very serious. The damaged area of the boat could have come apart entirely," he said. The yacht will be lifted out for repair in time for the re-start on February 4.

Gabbey and his crew were followed by the equally luck-less Irish crew on NCB, who were slowed by a broken boom for the second time during this race. Nevertheless, they still finished in twelfth place - 17 hours behind

Back in the Tasman, the battle for line honours among the smaller division 3 yachts continues. Yesterday, Tracy Edwards and her all-women crew on Maiden re-took the

WHITBREAD ROUND

THE WORLD RACE:



Blown it: Rothmans (left), of Britain, tries in vain to catch the Swiss yacht, Merit, near the finish of the third leg in Anchland

#### TENNIS: PLAYERS MAKE THEIR POINT IN TOURNAMENTS FAR FROM HOME

## Wind fails to blow Zvereva displays

Wellington (AP) - Emilio San-chez, of Spain, overcame the Australian, Richard Fromberg, and difficult winds to reachthe semi-finals of the BP Nationals

tournament. Sanchez, who is the top seed, defeated John McEaroe in the final of the Hopman Cup teams event in Perth, Australia on donday. He said he was feeling more relaxed as the tournament progressed.

"I am more rested and more "I am more rested and more involved in the tournament now," said the world's seventeenthranked player, who is making his first trip to New Zealand. "Here, there is only one problem — the wind. In Spain, this wind would blow everything down."

Paolo Cane, of Italy, the fifth seed, also advanced to the semi-finals after scoring a 7-6, 2-6, 6-3 rollercoaster victory over the unseeded Israeli, Gilad Bloom. Play was suspended for an hour with the score 6-6 after a rain storm. Back on court, Cane Bloom helped him. The Israeli served two double faults and

deflected nearly every ball that into the net. "I froze," Bloom

The Israeli rallied to win the second set, but Cane lifted his game in the third.
The unseeded Czech, Karel Novacek, will meet the American Richey Reneberg, the eighth seed, in today's semi-finals, while Sanchez will play Cane in the second semi-final.

RESULTS: Singles: Counter-Roels: E Sanchez (Sp) bt R Fromberg (Aus.), 6-4, 6-3; P Cane (th) bt G Bloom (is), 7-6, 2-6, 6-3. ◆ ADELAIDE: Sergi Bruguera,

of Spain, the top seed, beat Michael Stitch, of West Germany, 6-7, 6-0, 6-4, after a struggle in the first set and reached the semi-finals of the Australian men's hard-court tournament here yesterday (AFP reports).

The 18-year-old from Barcema recovered after losing the first set to take the next eight games in succession, as well as the vital break in the final set. States, also stepped into the semi-finals with a comfortable 6-3, 6-4 victory over the Dutchman, Mark Kouvermans, who is

Arias faces Jean Fleurian, of France, for a place in tomorrow night's final. Fleurian ousted his compatriot, Jerome Potier, 6-3,

RESULTS: Singles quarter-finals: Bruguera (Sp) bt Stich (WG), 6-7, 6-0, 6-4; T Muster (Austrie) bt M Kratzmann (Aus), 7-5, 6-4-J Arias (US) bt M Koovermans (Neth), 6-3, 6-4; J Fleurian (Fr) J Poller (Fr), 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.

## Sanchez off course renewed ambition

From Barry Wood, Brisbane

the Danone hard-court cham-pionships, yesterday fell victim to the renewed ambitions of to the renewed amounts of Natalia Zvereva, of the Soviet Union, while Jana Novotna, the second seed, also failed to advance beyond the quarterfinal stage, losing to Judith Weisner, of Austria.

Rachel McQuillan and Kristen Godzidos, the Australian

ten Godridge, the Australian teenagers, who had both enjoyed such a successful week, experienced contrasting fates.
McQuillan found little trouble
in despatching Kimiko Date
6-0, 6-4, but Godridge, after her
earlier heroics, was beaten 7-5,
6-3 by Brenda Schultz.

According to Zvereva, she is not quite back to her peak, but her 6-3, 6-4 defeat of Sukova egested an imminent return to top form of a player who faded as a storm blew up over her as a storm town or right to retain prize-money.

Playing better, in her opinion,

than she has done since reaching the Hilton Head final last April, where she publicly tore up the envelope containing her cheque, claiming it was a worthless piece of paper, she took advantage of an erratic opponent. The player from Minsk approached well on any short ball that was offered and volleyed away a winner, and her passing shots, especially off her forehand side, left Sukova stranded and helpless in mid-

"She was not hitting her approach shots deep enough and

Helena Sukova, the top seed at so I was able to hit the ball any way I wanted," said Zvereva, who now plays Schultz.

Novotna lost 7-6, 6-3 to Weisner in a match that was always close. The Czech served for the first set at 5-2 in the tie break, and had a set point at 6-5, but in her words, she "got too uptight". In contrast, Weisner

> "I didn't feel any pressure, and that made the difference between us," Weisner said. "She always hits too hard when she's down, and gets nervous and starts making a lot of mistakes."

Novotna's decision to replace her coach, Jan Kurz, who took her to the top 10 last year and made her one of the players most feared by Steffi Graf, with Mike Estep, who coaches Hana Mandlikova — is a strange one and may backfire.

"I didn't feel he (Kurz) could help me make the final step to be

a top player," she said.

RESULTS: Third Re Schultz (Neth) bt K Rinaldi (US), 7-5, 6-1; R McQuillan (Aus) bt S Martin (US), 6-1, 6-4; J Wiesner (Austria) bt P Fendick J Wiesner (Anstria) bt P Fendick (US), 6-2, 6-3; H Sukova (C2) bt I Demongent (Fr) 6-2, 4-6, 6-2; K Godridge (Aus) bt R Zrubakova (C2) 6-1, 7-5; N Zvereva (USSR) bt E Inoue (Japan), 7-5, 6-4. Quarter-Enalist Zvereva bt Sukova, 6-3, 6-4; McQuillan bt Date, 6-0, 6-4; Wiesner bt Novotna, 7-6, 6-3; Schultz bt Godridge, 7-5,6-3.

## Bentley continues sequence

Sarah Bentley, the defending champion, confirmed her outstanding chances of winning the girls singles title for a second time when she beat Victoria Graeme-Barber 6-4, 6-0 in a one-sided semi-final in the Prudential British junior covered-court championships at Queen's Club yesterday.

Bentley, aged 16, the second seed, of Lincoln, looked far

sharper especially in her ground strokes than she had been during the week in another

bridge player to whom she has never lost in three years. In their previous three meetings in recent months she has not conceded more than four games. In the boys singles, in which matches are played over the best of five sets for the first time in the history of the championships. Jonathan Haycock, the defending champion, won 6-3, 6-4, 6-4 over Philip Cooper, of Sutton Coldfield.

Sutton Coldfield Haycock, aged 17, of Banstead, Surrey, and a pupil of Dulwich College, needed 116

There was never any expects tion that Haycock would be taken the distance. His wellcontrolled serve-and-voiley style kept Cooper subdued throughout.

REGULTS: Circls singles, semi-finale: S Bentley (Lincs) bt V Grasme-Barber (Cembs), 6-4, 6-0. Boys singles, semi-finale: J Haycock (Surrey) bt P Cooper (Warwicks), 6-3, 6-4, 6-4; N Adams (Esex) bt R Holden (Berks), 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 7-6.

Thoeni, of Italy, in the early

Thoeni, of Italy, in the early 1970s.

Zurbriggen retires after this season. The former cook from Saas Almagell, aged 26, leads overall with 126 points, eight more than Ole Christian Furuseth, of Norway.

The International Ski Federation (FIS) yesterday cancelled a World Cup giant slalom scheduled for January 14 in Lagalp, eastern Switzerland, because of safety considerations (AP rep-

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Lagalp was not compact enough and thousands of gallons of water would be needed to harden the surface. This was impossible because of a water

shortage following an unusually dry summer and autumn.

The federation has received several offers from Italian ski

Officials said snow cover in

#### CYCLING Douce is wary of problems in title defence

By Peter Bryan

Steve Douce, defending his British Falcon cyclo-cross championship at Sutton Coldfield today, promises no more than: "I'll be on the podium." His reticence has nothing to do with a series of crashes in the last two months, which have left him often struggling for form. Douce is more concerned about the continuing practice of allow-ing 100 starters in the race, with

ing 100 starters in the race, with the danger of being impeded by competitors not of champ-ionship quality.

"Once the top riders start lapping the field in, say, the first quarter of an hour, the chances of being baulked or brought down will increase," Douce, the Raleigh professional, said yest-erday.

His view is shared by other riders and officials, some of whom would like to see the entry restricted to 40 or 50. The circuit has been changed from previous years and, as a result, the one-hour race is likely to be much faster. The finishing straight is 400 yards long and

flat.

In the last seven years, Douce has won the title on six occasions, losing only to Chris Young in 1984. Young in the field today, has been showing good form recently.

Roger Hammond, a 15-year-old schoolboy, is among 58 riders in the junior championship although, technically, he is incligible. After winning the bronze medal a year ago, officials have again decided to let him take on rivals two years his him take on rivals two years his

#### Zurbriggen and main rival seek fourth title

SKIING

Kranjska Gora, Yugoslavia (Reuter) — Pirmin Zurbriggen, the Swiss all-rounder in his final active season, starts his assault on a fourth and final Alpine skiing Worth Cup overall title in two slaloms here seasons. two slaloms here today and

Zurbriggen, who won the overall Cup in 1984, 1987 and 1988, is one of only two skiers to have won in all four World Cup Marc Girardelli, of Luxem-

bourg, his main rival, has made a late decision to compete after sustaining injuries in a supergiant slalom crash in Sestriere, Italy, last month.

Both are chasing a record-equalling fourth overall title. Zurbriggen lost the overall World Cup title last year to Girardelli. The only skier to win four overall titles is Gustavo

event moves to Europe.

The Swiss double Olympic champion, the winner of a record 14 races last season, was passed fit this week to contest the slalom a month after a knee cartillage.

cartilage injury required

surgery.
Schneider, aged 25, won all eight slaloms in the World Cup last season and also the opening

slalom this season in Park City, Utah, before an accident when

**Schneider cautious** Piancavallo, Italy (Reuter) -Vreni Schneider, the Alpine she was training for a downhill in Steamboat Springs on World Cup women's overall champion, returns to competition from injury today as the

December 6. Victory today could propel her back into the lead in the salom and displace Claudia Strobl, of Austria. But Schneider, well adrift overall, is cautious about her prospects of another all-conquering sequence of success.

"Please don't expect a repeat of last season's wins," she said. "I am personally very surprised that the test went so well." Today's slalom, the third of nine scheduled for this season, will be staged on artificial snow. **SNOOKER** 

#### Blackpool grants wishes of **Davis**

By Steve Acteson

Just before Christmas Steve Davis wrote in *The Times* that he would like to see snooker become more open; his wish has

become more open; his wish has been granted.

When the Mercantile Credit Classic resumes at the fifth round, last 16, stage in Black, pool today — and under the cameras of independent television — a mere quarter of the top 16 are in contention for the first prize of £60,000.

first prize of £60,000.

Influenza took its toll of the absent Jimmy White and the even more illustrions Stephen Hendry, although Dene O'Kane, of New Zealand, was greatly more responsible for the young Scot's downfall. More importantly the so-called underdoes were having their day as importantly the so-cated underdogs were having their day as
the average ranking of the
survivors — 30 — suggests.
Those to profit most were the
second echelon, ranked 16 to 32,
for seven of them won through.
Apart from O'Kane, however,
the underdog to bear the sharpest teeth was Mark Rowing est teeth was Mark Rowin aged 23, from Doncaster, who is

ranked 99th in the world. Almost unnoticed on Thursday, amid the furore surround-ing Hendry's departure, Rowing heat Dean Reynolds, provision-ally ranked eighth for next season, 5-4, to venture two steps further than he had ever been before in two years as a pro-fessional. Today he plays his Silvino Francisco, of South

Rowing is already assured of at least £4,500 and needs it. Married, with a son and another child due, he earned only £3,729

"I fancied myself to do well in ranciae myser to do wen in the professional game but I did not work hard enough," Row-ing, the 1987 English amateur champion, said. "Now I practise eight hours a day at Glenn's home in Barnsley and it has made all the difference. I used to work in a snooker club but I found myself pulling more pints

than potting balls."
O'Kane is also back at the table tonight, against Martin Clark who, with John Virgo—the only top 16 player left in the top half of the draw—is favourite to reach the final from

tavounte to reacu the mean from that section.

THIRSDAY'S LATE RESULTS: Fourth round (England unless stated: S Davis bt R Williams, 5-0; S James bt R Chaperon (Can), 5-2; A Drago (Maka) bt D Taylor (N tre), 5-4; W Jones (Wales) bt M Hallett, 5-3; J Parrott bt A Hagiris (N tre), 5-4; D Morgan (Wales) bt C Thorburn (Can), 5-4; B Morgan bt D Taylor, 5-4; G Wilkinson bt J Campbell (Aus), 5-4.

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#### **SQUASH RACKETS**

#### Youthful challenge to the top

By Colin McQuillan

Emphatic victories in the Abbey National British Open junior finals at Kegworth, Derbyshire, by Cassie Jackman, of Norfolk, and Sabine Schone, of West Germany, suggest that leading rankings in the women's inter-national game which have survived most of the past decade may not last long into the 1990s. Jackman, two weeks past her seventeenth birthday and already holder of the European junior and British under-23 titles, defeated Rebecca Macree, a profoundly deaf but increas ingly combative player from Essex, 9-3, 9-10, 9-7, 9-1, in 31

minutes to take the under-19 championship for the first time. Schone, the German national champion, is a large and strong girl mature far beyond her 15 years. She is a match, particularly in the front court, for many senior players and was detained for only 19 minutes, beating Donia Leeves, of Sussex, 9-0, 9-4, 9-0, to take the under-16 title

Leeves is also a player of great potential. Aged 13 but taller than any other competitor at Kegworth, she has an enthusiasm for squash that could make her an attractive professional proposition in future.

fessional proposition in future.

The women's game may contain finer ingredients for commercial development than the men's professional circuit, despite the apparent inability of Martine Le Moignan, the present world champion, to secure significant sponsorship.

Schone is already sufficiently rewarded by her main sponsor, adidas, to concentrate at their insistence moon retaining the

insistence upon retaining the British under-16 title against a comparatively childish field rather than adventure among her more natural competition in the under-19 championship. the under-19 championship.
In truth, the forceful German would have surpassed herself to stop either Jackman or Macree reaching the under-19 final. Daniella Grzenia, her secondranked compatriot, fell to the Essex girl in the quarter-finals and Jackman was disturbed only by her own occasional inattention prior to losing control temporarily in mid-match against Macree.

Nearproduces clinical long-range
driving of astonishing power.
She kills the ball regularly short of the service line, rather in the manner of the wonderfully heavy-handed Hiddy Jahan. And that pugnacious Pathan would doubtless forgive the suggestion that Jackman hits the nick rather more often.

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WOMEN: British Open Under-19 Chempfemilip: Finel: C Jackman (Norfold) of R
Macros (Essent), 9-3, 9-10, 9-7, 9-1.
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Lesves (Sussent), 9-0, 9-4, 9-0.
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Lankester (Suffolk), 9-7, 9-8, 9-2; P
Marshall (Leica) of D Caropion (Yorks), 9-4, 9-2, 9-0. Under-16: Semi-finals: J
Florois (Christians to S Caropion (Yorks), 9-4, 9-2, 9-9. Rerate (Cheshare) bt 5 Cast 9-2, 9-4; J Power (Can) (Norfolk), 7-9, 9-5, 9-0, 9-2.

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FOOTBALL: EXETER PROFIT FROM A MANAGER WITH METHODS FASHIONED FROM MORE THAN TWO DECADES OF INVOLVEMENT WITH FA CUP HIGHS AND LOWS

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If that carries shades of the Brian Clough philosophy on football management, it coincides with the story I heard from the taxi driver who drove me this week to the Cat and Fiddle training ground (just opposite the Cat and Fiddle pub) to meet Cooper.

Like the former Leeds United and England full back, a Yorkshireman, the taxi driver remarked how puzzled he was on a visit some 20 years ago to Leeds' training ground to find so many empty beer crates lying around. Cooper could explain. "All the good players I know like a drink," he said. "We've got a few tectotallers, but I shall take them all down to the pub tonight and tomorrow to have a game of darts and a drink. They're not going to get drunk. The drink relaxes them and makes them sleep and they wake up fine. I trust them

It seems that the trust is reciprocated at this friendly little club, which has more than just a pint after training in common with Leeds. Just as he did at Bristol City, Cooper has built a family spirit\_similar to that which Don Revie fostered at Elland Road Rosemary, Cooper's wife, brings along a couple of litres of wine on match days to good player but I wanted to days off afterwards." entertain the players' wives because "they tend to get a bit pushed to one side." His son,



Cooper is all things to his players: manager, confidante, even agent. His aim is to club who lead the fourth new role. division but have never been beyond the third. "I don't was two-footed and when we believe in standing in any- put on shooting sessions he body's way. If you've played up there, you've got to be very selfish to deny somebody else

the chance to do so," he said. Such an attitude has worked profitably this season for both the club (who have wiped £300,000 off a £500,000 overdraft) and one player in particular, Chris Vinnicombe, a young full back whom he sold to Graeme Souness, a colleague in his days at Middlesbrough, for £200,000 with a further £400,000 to follow depending on appearances and honours. Yet such is the cosy spirit which Cooper has engendered among the

sell Rangers to Vinnicombe. "I had to fly him up to Glasgow and show him Ibrox to convince him. He comes from a beautiful family who live in a little terraced house. I be said.

His eye for talent is only matched by his flexibility, which he demonstrated when told his mum and dad that their son would get £1,000 a week, plus a signing on fee, a new car and that the pair of them would be flown up to Glasgow three times a year to see him. And they said: "You're kidding".

"We had him from the age of 12. His dad makes tea for the reserves. He was such a sign him as a professional at replied: 'Here, Terry, the club winger to a full back. He has

Cooper drinks from

players: manager, confidante, even agent. His aim is to achieve the tricky marriage of achieve the tricky marriage of Rowbotham the Welshman playing.

Cooper, though he reluctive that the chase in players and the ambition of a from Plymouth Argyle, his

"It stood out a mile that he put on shooting sessions he never missed the target: We tried him up front with Steve Neville and he hasn't stopped scoring. He is a strong so and so and he's nasty as well. You've got to have that edge to go first division. He could go tomorrow if the price was right, but I'm not sure he

would want to leave," he said. Cooper preaches loyalty to his players and expects it of himself. He said that he would never apply for a job else-where while he was under contract. "I never seem to get linked with jobs like some managers do. I've got great confidence in my own ability. Grecians that he also had to I would love somebody to give me £2 million to spend. I'm sure I would get good players,"

> an apprentice he had pinched from under the noses of Sheffield scouts popped his head around Cooper's office door to ask if he could have a Saturday off to get engaged. bloody Yorkshireman," Cooper told him. "You're a professional, son. Get engaged on the Sunday and take a couple of

Such adaptability may stem 18 and when I told his dad we from the days when he was

can't afford to pay that!'. It's done the same with Scott nice to be able to help people Hiley, a promising right winger but an even better Another player destined for right back. "They can't pick the top, if Cooper's confidence up your run so easily when in his players is to be believed, you come from the back," he is Darran Rowbotham, the said. You sensed a tinge of League's leading goalscorer envy when he spoke about with 23 goals, just 10 goals Hiley's pace, and that rebehind the club record held by minded you that management

> tantly gave up the chase in League terms five years ago at the age of 40, still plays for the reserves. He said: "I can't run. I just sit on the left wing 10 yards either side of the halfway line. My reputation seems to be enough to dissuade some people from taking me on. If only they knew . . ." He can still, though, show his players how to drop a cross on a sixpence, much to their amazement at his undisguised He takes pride, too, in the quality of football which he

has encouraged Exeter to play and is still a keen student of the game. "I am looking forward to seeing how much Norwich pull us about and how much we pull them about," he said. He admits, though, that he has no clue how his team will play, only that, if the front two do not perform, neither will the team. Unbeaten in 17 matches at St James' Park, the Devonclub are sufficiently buoyant to overturn a Norwich side who have forgotten how to score goals. It would make a nice change for Cooper not to be on the receiving end of a Cup shock. He has not forgotten Leeds' defeat by Colchester United 19 years ago when there was a similar disparity in divisions, and even more painfully fresh in his mind is Exeter's exit at Bognor Regis last season. One thing is sure.



Pointing the way ahead for Exeter: Terry Cooper directing affairs at a training session

#### Rochdale set out to assert seniority

By Martin Searby

Rochdale, of the fourth division, are on the traditional hiding to nothing when they take on Whitley Bay, of the HFS Loans League, in the third round of the FA Cup. Victory is expected and defeat by the team who have defeat by the team who have already beaten Scarborough and Preston North End would be a calamity for a club which has never been beyond the fourth

The tie is given added spice by the Whitley Bay manager's comments when the draw was: made. Bobby Graham, the manager of Whitley Bay, described Rochdale as "a Mickey Mouse club". That did not please the Lenergists and Tarry Dolon. Lancastrians and Terry Dolan,

Lancastrians and Terry Dotan, the manager, was quick to paste up newspaper cuttings in his team's dressing room.

"It was a silly thing to say but it may have provided the ideal spur for my players" Dolan said. "We shall have to see after the game who is Mickey Mouse and who is going to play Goofy. They have done extremely well to come so far and this will be their teath game in the competition.

tenth game in the competition.

"My spies tell me they were
allowed to play football against
Preston who may have regretted trying to keep the passes short and knock the ball about. We shall not make that mistake. shall not make that mistake.
Success is very important for us
since we too are looking for a
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Dolan, who masterminded the
cup defeats of Tottenham
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Hotspur and Everton during his time in charge of Bradford City, retained only three of last year's staff as he rebuilt the club

rewards make all the hard work worthwhile."

Rochdale last reached the fourth round in 1971 when they went out to Colchester United,

#### ITV prove masters of suspense

By Peter Ball

The Football League and ITV yesterday played down the controversy over the television company's request for the Arsenal v Liverpool fixture, scheduled to be played on February 24, to be moved to a new midweek date, but both clubs insisted that they would like the match played as near to the original date as poss

te, still the official one as far as the League are concerned, clashed with the Littlewoods Cup semi-final, which ITV is committed to screening. "We accept that ITV have a problem because of the Littlewoods Cup," Peter Robincan. Livermool's chief executive. said, "but we would like it to be

played as soon as possible after its original date."

This, however, looks unlikely. There are only four free Wednesdays before the end of the season, and April 18, two days after Easter, can almost certainly be ruled out. The other May 2, three days before the last turday of the season.

There is a suspicion that ITV ng a high risk strategy and are trying to manipulate an end to the championship to rival that of last season, when Arsenal won the title at Aufield ith virtually the last kick of the ch, two weeks after the official end of the seas

There is every indication that ITV might hold the match back until May 2 in the bope that lightning will strike twice, alsough April 4 is the more

Trevor East, ITV's executive producer responsible for foot-ball, said: "There has been no suggestion of the match being played after the final Saturday, but that dramatic finale to last ason gave the game a fremen-te boost.

"It was incredibly good pub-licity for foethall. Our ratings this season show just how much interest it has generated, gutes are going up too, and it staggers me that anyone should criticise anybody trying to repeat such a climax. I would have thought the League should be applicating

Since Rangers beat Celtic on Tuesday, Walter Smith, the Rangers assistant manager, has attempted to play down sugges-tions that this afternoon's clash with Aberdeen could have an important bearing on this sea-son's championship.

While maintaining a similar

tack yesterday at Ibrox, Smith his club's advantage to four points would take some pres out of important away fixtures later in the season, especially the one at Pittodrie. "I still feel that even if that happens, then the championship race would con-tinue to the end, but I think it would be an important factor,

Smith said. Rangers have no fitness wor-ries. Smart Munro has shaken off the effects of a knee injury, and keeps his place among the same 13 which collected the points at Parkhead. Added to them are Scott Nesbet and Neale

Likewise, there is no injury trouble, other than the longterm sufferers, in the Aberdeen camp. Two points behind Rangers, they have beaten the Glas-gow club on their last two meetings — in the Skol Cup final, and when a Hans Gillhaus

goal separated the sides at Pittodrie in November. side's last two matches, but is ready to return. His way into the starting line-up, however, could be blocked by Willem van der Ark, his countryman. Van der Ark has netted four times while

deputizing for Gillhaus. Whatever Aberdeen operate up front, they will find it tough against a Scrooge-like Rangers defence. Naturally, Alex Smith, Aberdeen manager, would not disclose his plans, but he made

it known that he and his team had high hopes. "We'll be trying to earn the maximum from this game," Smith said. "At worst I'd like things to remain the same. But we are coming down with the intention of going back to the top. I'm aware that a win for Rangers would give them a fourpoint cushion but the way things are in this league, that means really nothing."

## Rangers look for four-point buffer

posedly festive and joyous per-iod brought nothing but doom and gloom for Celtic and their followers, taking only one point out of six and failing to score in the process. Despite that record, McNeill remains confident about his side's potential to

mount a trile assault.
"It's not impossible to mount difficult times. We've lost our rhythm and have to get that back. This is the time to show character and confidence,"

Celtic trail Rangers by six points. But it will not be easy for them to make up some of that ground this afternoon against St Mirren, who have had the upper hand against them this term, with a win and a draw.

Derek Whyte is McNeill's only doubt. The young inter-national faces a late fitness check. However, the Celtic manager has hinted at changes to his starting line-up, which could mean recalls for Walker and Dziekanowski up front.

By contrast, Tony Fitzpatrick is without the suspended Brian Martin, with injury also ruling out Peter Godfrey and Paul Lambert. The St Mirren manager could also be minus Torfason and Black, depending on how their morning tests go.

Hearts, who are lying third, visit Dundee, the bottom club, who have added McSkimmin and Stevie Campbell to their pool. In the capital Hibernian restore Gordon Hunter to defence as they tackle Dandee United. McKinlay, French and van der Hoorn sit this one out for United, who could be further handicapped should Joe McLeod go down with the same flu bug which accounted for McKinlay.

At East End Park, Tom Wilson, of Dunfermline, is likely to miss the action against Metherwell with a knee injury. For Motherwell, Nick Cusack replaces Dougie Arnott, who is serving a one-match suspension. Cusack returns from a similar ban. Tommy McLean, the Motherwell manager also adds Bryce, McNair and Mair. Shrewsbury dismiss McNeill

estate with a view to begin

Halifax Town have fined their

## Crewe have a proud record to uphold

Chelsea's players have vivid memories of a September night in Scarborough as they go into today's FA Cup third round meeting with Crewe Alexandra at Stamford Bridge. After being knocked out of the Littlewoods Cup by Scarborough, the fourth division side, four months ago division side, four months ago, Chelsea will be especially anxious to avoid defeat by Crewe, of the third division. Crewe boast a 100 per cent

record from two previous visits to Stamford Bridge. They beatthe Londoners in FA Cup ties in 1928 and 1961. Then, in September 1975, Chelsea lost 1-0 in a League Cup tie at Gresty Road. Kenny

Swain, the player-coach at Crewe, who then played for

#### **BBC** play angers Millwall

By Dennis Signy

Reg Burr, the Millwall chairman, who has worked unstintingly to improve his club's im in recent years, said be would watch last night's Channel 4 production No One Likes Us— We Don't Care, "with bated

The programme came 48 hours after a BBC2 play entitled Arrivederci Millwall, which Burr has strongly condemned in a protest which will go to the a protest warm will go av less Home Office. The play centred on a group of hooligans travel-ling abroad at the time of the Falklands dispute to watch the Werld Cap.

Burr, a member of the Footbell League management com-mittee, said yesterday: "I do not think there was any balance to redress. I do not consider the BBC programme, which was a piece of grotesque filth, anything to do with us. We, not just Miliwall, but everyone i ball, should be question technical ability of the producer and also his motivation.

Burr said that Arrivederci Millwall was shown "in a minor way" in 1985. "I have to wonder why it was dredged up a full five years later," he added. Burr said the play could damage Ea-gland's prospects in the World Cup this summer and also hamper a return of English chabs to European competition.

"The Director-General of the BBC has something to answer for and it is a great pity that we cannot withhold our licence fees in protest. The programme was not even well done."

graphic changes have shaped the area and the club, from the Isle of Dogs to New Cross, through the relationship be-tween club officials and supporters and the image of the crowd as seen by the media.

Urging supporters to watch it, the Millwall programme writer on New Year's Day said: "One voice has remained unheard, that of the genuine tans who follow their club week in, week ation, totally disown the

Chelsea, said: "You get well clearcut, but Ball said: "They are paid as first and second division expected to win, but the only clearcut, but Ball said: "They are expected to win, but the only pressure on us is to stay in the second division."

After suffering defeat by Sutton United in the third round last year, Coventry's players should be highly motivated players, and to go and lose to opposition like that is a big blow to your pride." He believes Chelsea should be "a little anxious" about this afternoon's second division."

Blackburn Rovers, who have won the Cup six times, frus-trated by their failure to win promotion from the second

match, and said: "We will have some fun, make some money division in recent seasons, will be hoping to distress Aston Villa, seven-times Cup winners, at Ewood Park. Villa may be There is an old boys' reunion at the Victoria Ground, where Bould and Dixon, of Arsenal, breathing down Liverpool's neck at the head of divis Stoke Alan Ball, the Stoke man-

ager, played alongside George Graham, his counterpart at Highbury, in the Arsenal side hich lost to Leeds United in the 1972 final. With Stoke bottom of the second division, and Arsenal chasing another League champ-

as they make a short trip to Northampton, of the third di-vision. Norwich City may have beaten Sutton 8-0 in the fourth round 11 months ago, but they will be complacent at their peril when they visit Exeter. Queen's Park Rangers will be similarly wary at Cardiff, as will be West and away to Reading, where lan Porterfield, the manager, aims to topple the team for whom he

but Rovers can recall how Graham Taylor's side pipped Price, the Villa full back, who spent two seasons at Rovers, said: "There will be a bit of needle. They will be wound up, and make it very difficult. If we go with the wrong attitude we

scored the winner against Leeds United in the 1973 final. Cam-

bridge United and Rochdale will not relish visits from non-League opponents, Darlington and Whitley Bay. It is nearly 10 years since

Birmingham v Oldham have recovered from injury and could all return for Birmingham.

Blackburn v Aston Villa Blackburn, who are without Atkins (jaundice), give Irvine (hamstring) a late fitness test. Gennoe could play his first game i goal for four months after recovery from a knee injury because Marriott, on loan from Nottingham Forest, is not availa Villa give Nielsen (hamstring) a late fitness test, Price stands by to

ionship, the outcome should be

Sproson, Gordon and Hopkins

Blackpool v Burnley Diamond is poised to lead the Blackpool attack after three months sidelined by an achilles injury.

Brighton v Luton Brighton give Bissett (hamstring) and Crumplin (concussion) late fitness tests. Gatting stands by and Barham i expected to make his debut on the wing. Luton, with three central defenders already sidelined by injury, have been refused permission to field Donaghy, on

Bristol City v Swindon With Newman passing a fitness test, City are unchanged, as are Swindon.

Cambridge v Darlington Injury leaves Cambridge without Ryan, Dennis and Robinson but Clayton could return. Gill is injured and McJannett suspended

Cardiff v OPR Cardiff give late fitness tests to n and Chandler, with Perry and Lewis poised to deputise. Parker is expected to return for QPR at Law's expense.

their injured defender, but recall Jasper, once of Chelsea.

C Palace v Portsmouth Palace are expected to retain the side which lost at Arsenal on New Year's Day, with O'Reilly and Thomas on the bench.

Barber, who has conceded six Huddersfield v Grimsby

Hull are without Shaw, on loan from Crystal Palace, but Whitehurst is fit to lead the attack.

tie are likely to recall Dillon.

Sheff Utd v Bournemouth Deane, Gannon and Booker are all doubtful for United. Todd,

Webster and Francis stand by. Bournemouth are expected to recall Miller and Moulden. Stoke v Arsenal Stoke are without Ellis, who is cup-tied after playing for Preston in a previous round, and await the suits of a fitness test on Bamber (knee), Smith (knee), Marwood (calf) and Winterburn (back) are all

doubtful for Arsenal. Swansea v Liverpool James, the Welsh international midfield player who has been out for 10 weeks with a knee injury, is likely to return for Swansea, who could also recall Hutchison. Grobbelaar (knee) is highly doubtful

Torquay v West Ham Injury deprives Torquay of Airey, Loram, Caldwell and Joyce, but Uzell returns. West Ham are expected to recall Parkes in goal as Crystal Palace do not want Suckling to become cup-tied.

Watford v Wigan Watford are unaltered. Wigan are injury free and include Adkins and Ward in their squad.

West Brom v Wimbledon With Talbot, the playerwith labor, the player manager, and Bradley still absent through injury West Brom are unaltered. Wimbledon, too, are unchanged, with Cork and

Wolves v Sheff Wed Dennison (iii) is doubtful for Wolves, McLoughin is poised to deputize. Turner replaces Pressman (knee) in goal for

Exeter v Norwich Exeter are without Goddard and Elkins (both cup-tied) and Dryden (injured). Batty and Frankland return. Norwich are unchanged. Leicester v Barnsley McAllister is included in the Leicester squad despite being tikely to move to Nottingham Forest or Seville for £1 million this weekend. Clarke is fit to lead the attack. Cooper returns for

Man City v Millwall City are unchanged, with Brightwell and Ward on the bench. Sheringham (ankle) is unlikely to be fit so Millwall are expected to

Middlesbrough v Everton With Brennan and Putney passed fit Middlesbrough select from a full complement. Sheedy (ankle) faces a late fitness test for (ankle) faces a late fitness test for Everton. Should he pass it will be at the expense of either Beagrie

Northampton v Coventry Singleton, the Northampton midfield player, is injured and misses facing his former club. Coventry are unchanged, which means there is no room to Regis who has recovered from influenza.

Plymouth v Oxford Plymouth recall Byrne on the wing. Whiston or Brimacombo replace Beglin, who has returned to Leeds, at full back. Campbell (calf) is missing. Oxford expect Foster to pass a fitness test.

Reading v Sunderland Wood could replace Whitlock in the home defence. Sunderland have refused Reading permission to play Lemon, on loan from Roker Park, in the midfield. Bennett and Hardyman face late fitness tests for the visitors: Ord and Lynch stand by.

Tottenham v S'hampton Thorsvedt is fit but Mirnms retains his place in the Tottenham goal, Van den Hauwe (thigh) is doubtful and Gascoigne (broken arm) absent. Thomas and Hughton could return. uthampton choose between Ruddock, a former Spur, and Moore in central defence. Shearer could start in attack.

Тошогтом Charlton v Bradford

Leaburn (knee) and Reid (stomach) are doubtful for Charlton. Jones could return to the attack City. Davies (calf) is doubtful for

Nott'm Forest v Man Utd Robson (groin) is hoping to return for United, who are without Ince and Wallace (both hamstring). Robins continues in

Port Vale v Derby

Toshack from Anfield to the the first division. Now two divisions lower, the Welshmen play host to Liverpool for the first time in eight seasons. Ian Evans, the City manager, told his players: Liverpool are only been given a vote of confidence

Callaghan Kennedy and Boersma, followed John

by the Brighton and Hove Albion board, and if he is to stand a realistic change of keeping his job. Albion must dispose of Luton Town at the Goldstone Ground. Ironically, Ray Harford, dismissed by Luton earlier this week, is the

#### Yahi back and ready at Linfield

By George Ace

Hocine Yahi, an Algerian inter-Linfield during the close season and who has been sidelined since August with a knee injury after only one game as a substitute, arrived back at Windsor Park this week after a 10-day break at home and reported fully fit and raring to

ager, who has not had to look for trouble because of the inconsistency of the League champions

— including five lost games over the past two months, was delighted with the news.

"If our medical staff give him the green light and there is no reaction to a fitness test be will be in my panel for today's game

Roy Coyle, the Linfield man-

against Distillery," Coyle said.
"I was reconciled to not having Yahi available until the middle of next month. And with Stephen Baxter and Martin McGaughey definitely ruled out, things are not looking too good." Glentoran will have Terry

Moore, their captain, back for the away game against Ballymena United — a tough assignment for the Oval team who are second in the league. at the top that one defeat can mean two or three places lost.

Portadown, the leaders, travel to Banger and Coleraine head for Newry, both difficult matches for the away sides.

FA seeking Arsenal's view

Although Jim Ashworth, the referee of Arsenal's match at Villa Park last weekend, has commended Tony Adams, the Arsenal captain, in trying to restrain players who protested to match officials at the end of the game about Villa's second goal in a 2-1 win, the Foothall Association yesterday asked Arsenal for observations on his report (Dennis Signy writes).

The FA said that three or four Arsenal players were involved Arsenal had earlier fined some players for their part in the protest. The FA will wait for Arsenal's reply before deciding if further action is needed. Arsenal were fined £20,000

for bringing the game into disrepute following incidents at the close of their home game on November 4 against Norwich City, who were fined £50,000.

#### lan McNeill of Shrewsbury Town has become the third eague managerial casualty of 1990 and the fifteenth to leave a at the club. .... uni in ne contra la situati

Hartford in charge as caretaker manager. The chib chairman, ken Woodhouse, said McNeill had to go because of the continuing indiscipline of play-Terry Mancini, the Later Towa caretaker manager, will on Monday be charged by the FA with bringing the game into disrepute. Mancini. who Stepped up as caretaker from coach on Thursday following

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dub this season. McNeill the former Wigan Athletic manager and Chelsea No. 2, was dismissed yesterday after two years Last season Shrewsbury were relegated to the third division and have continued to struggle this term. They have put Asa one service ers at Gay Meadow. an 🐔

the departure of Ray Harford, is in line for a fine after being ordered from the dug-out during Cap defeat at Crystal Palace in

Morton. The Bournemouth manager, Harry Redknapp, will appear at the same time on a similar charge, following com-ments e made after the game at Swindon Town in December. The Norwich City goalkeeper, Bryan Gunn, charged for his comments in the wake of the fracas at Arsenal, has not asked

the Suffolk referee, Kelvin

for a personal hearing and will be dealt with in his absence. • Barasley are ready to part with their utility player, Julian Broddle, who seems certain to join Plymouth Argyle for around £70,000. Mick Mills, who became Col-chester United's new manager this week, yesterday engaged

Sammy Chung as coach. Chung held a similar position with Mills at Stoke City. • Scarborough, of the fourth division, have unveiled plans for a multi-million pound sta-dium on the outskirts of the town. The club chairman, Geof-frey Richmond, said the club would seek planning permission for a 24-acre site of farmland

captain, John Bramhall, for

construction by April\_

new deal Paul Gascoigne, the Tettenham Hotspar midfield player, could be back in action much faster than expected after suffering a suspected broken arm against Coventry City on New Year's Day. Terry Venables, the Tottenham manager, said: "The injury is not a broken arm as such, it's just a crack."

supporters. Bramhall reacted angrily to chants from Halifax

making rude gestures to his own

supporters who were calling for the manager, Billy Ayre, to be dismissed after the team's 1-0 defeat at Burnley on Saturday.

• Mike Hazard, the transferseeking Chelsea midfield player, who failed to agree personal terms with Newcastle United ast week, had talks with the Pertsmouth chairman, Jim Gregory, yesterday about a possible £200,000 transfer to Fratton Park. Hazard has been on weekly contracts with Chelsea this season after refusing a

Last night's programme placed Millwall in the context of the south-east London com nity, looking at its history and the way economic and demo-

est, who put up with app treatment from the clubs and who, like the vast majority of the small hooligan element who tarnish their club's name." Before watching the pro-gramme, Burr said: "I do not expect one hour of eulogy, if it is

## FA CUP TEAM NEWS

Hereford v Walsall Hereford recall Mark Jones and Juryeft and Honor are cup-tied. Green has broken his thumb so

Huddersfield replace O'Connett, on loan from Burnley, with Onuora. Smith and Bray are fit to return. Tilson and Cockerill are doubtful for Grimsby. Hull v Newcastle

> Leeds v Ipswich Davison is still sidelined for Leeds, who recall Whitlow. Lowe could return for Ipswich after two months out with a knee injury.

loan from Old Trafford, by Manchester United. Johnson returns to the defence, Black to the midfield and Harford to the

for Darlington, who sold Hine to Peterborough last week.

Chelsea v Crewe Dorigo (achilles) is doubtful for Chelsea. Nicholas and Durle are still injured but Dickens could return. Crewe are without Gardiner

Rochdale v Whitley Bay Rochdale are at full strength. Whitley Bay choose between Dixon, who kept goal in earlier rounds, and Harrison, their regular goalkeeper recently absent with a broken arm. Johnson returns to the midfield but Todd is

## Head-high tackle earns Charlton an indefinite ban

Gary Charlton, the Whitehaven second-row forward. vesterday received one of the history of the game when the cided to impose an "indefinite" ban for the head-high tackle which sent Graham Steadman, the Castleford half Television video recording. back, to hospital with severe

The suspension will last at the discretion of the league's board of directors, and will only be lifted on a personal appeal by the player. Charlton is likely to be out of the game for the rest of the season and may even have to wait until the end of the year before the board is willing to listen to a plea for a lifting of the ban. Eric Fitzsimons, the

think an indefinite ban is a bit too harsh. I think Charlton should have been given a specific time or number of specific say, to the end of the charge of Shane content.

receive such a sentence. There parting of the ways with Alex were several sine die suspen- Murphy. Saints still have sions before the Second World problems with injuries and War and in recent history one Cooper will need a convincing

was imposed on Les victory from his charges to Westhead, a Huyton player, after he had pushed a referee ers that a fair and correct during a match.

The length and severity of the sentence indicate just how seriously members of the com-mittee viewed the incident after watching it on a Border

Whitehaven also figured in another decision by the disciplinary committee, which had previously suspended David Costello for eight matches for a high tackle in a reserve team game. The club pleaded mistaken identity and Vince Gribbin, another Whitehaven appeared before the committee to admit he was the culprit. Gribbin was then given the eight-match ban, Costello's suspension being

international loose forward or Charlton is not the first to half back, after the sensational

Meanwhile, Wigan continue their scerningly irresistible march towards the championship with a home match against Bradford Northern. The dice appear to be rolling Wigan's way with the fact that Northern had to play a difficult championship game against Castleford on Wednesday and will be feeling the bumps and bruises.

The top fixture of the afternoon is at Naughton Park, where Widnes, the second placed cinb and present champions, entertain Leeds, who are challenging for the title after a splendid revival

Sheffield Eagles are having a wretchedly unlucky time. Having lost their Owlerton Stadium because of ground safety problems they have been refused permission by Chesterfield to stage tomorrow's home game with Warrington at Saltergate and, after desperate telephone calls, have switched the match to

#### **MOTOR RALLYING**

### Peugeot continue their dominance

N'Guigmi, Niger (AFP) —
Peugeot underlined their almost
total domination of the ParisDakar rally when their cars
filled the first three places in the
302-mile eighth stage from
N'Djamena to N'Guigmi yesterday. Their back-up car was
fifth.

Ari Vatanen, of Finland, last year's winner, led the way, stretching his overall lead over Waldegaard, to more than an hour after Waldegaard trailed in 14min 35sec behind the Finn.

The third Peugeot, dr.ven by Philippe Wambergue, of France, was third, more than two minutes deith of Waldegaard but 10

utes adrift of Waldegaard but 10 minutes ahead of Salvator Servia, of Spain, in a Range Rover.
Alain Ambrosino, of France,
who steered the Peugeot backup car to victory in Wednes-day's sixth stage, was fifth, 27min 23sec behind Vatanen. In the motorcycle section, Stephane Peterhansel, on a Sonauto Yamaha, won the stage to make up for the disappoint-

RESULTS: Eightin etage (N'Djamena to N'Guigmi, 302 miles): 1. A Vatanen (Fin, Prupert 405 Tie, 1 in 31min 04eer, 2. B Waldegaard (Swe), Psugeot 405 Tie, 12; 14min 35eec; 3. P Wambergue (Fri, Psugeot 205 Tie, 21; 23; 6, K Shinozaka (Japon), Missubishi, 30:57; 7. A Cowan (GS), Missubishi, 30:57; 7. A Cowan (GS), Missubishi, 30:57; 7. A Cowan (GS), Missubishi, 30:57; 8, H Auntoi (Fri, Buggy, 36:55; 9, M Pristo-Perez (Sp), Niesan, 39:38; 10. J Riwere (Fri, Luda-Porsche, 40:05. Owenitis, 1, 20:57; 8, H Auntoi (Sec; 3, Wambergue, 223.15; 4, Servia, 4:94:58; 5, Amtrosino, 4:32:58; 6, Cowan, 4:50:28; 7, Pristo-Perez, E31:51; 8, H Pescarolo (Fri, Range Rover, E3:161; 8, H Pescarolo (Fri, Range Rover, E3:43), MOTORCYCLES: 1, S Peterhanel (Fri, Sorauto-Yamatta, 4th 45min 35eec; 2, E Oriol (R), Cagiva, at 1min 19eer; 3, T Magnatid (Fri, Yamatta, at 2:25; 4, G Laley (Fri, Suzuki, 4:40; 5, F Picco (R), Yamaha, 8:36. Owenitis 1, Oriol, 38th 13am 25eec; 2, Peterhames, at 32min 25eec; 3, C Meesamora (Sp), Yamaha, 8:51; 4, Laley, 45:17; 5, C Neveu (Fri, Sonauto-Yamaha, 55:42.

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#### India get another captain

IN BRIEF

Delhi (Reuter) - Mohammac led India in Pakistan, where all

The Indian selectors cited Srikkanth's poor form in Paki-stan and the opener's decision not to play domestic matches not to play domestic matches since his return as reasons for replacing him. Srikkanth took over the captaincy in October from Dilip Vengsarkar. Azharuddin has been a regu-tar member of the Indian side since the 1984-85 season, when

the home series against England, scoring centuries in his first three Tests. In 34 Tests he has scored 2,124 runs, including

#### Melville is French

Toulon (Reuter) — Eric Mel-ville, the South African-bora rugby union player who is hoping to play for France, said yesterday that he had obtained French citizenship last week.
The No. 8, aged 28, who moved from South Africa to France in 1983, last week took part in a French squad training session to prepare for the five nations' championship later this month.

#### **Boxers honoured**

Mexico City (AP) - Mike Tyson, the heavyweight boxing champion, and Sugar Ray Leonard, the super-middleweight titleholder, have been named as the World Boxing Council's most outstanding fighters of the 1980s. The Marvin Hagler-Thomas Hearns contest at Las Vegas in 1985 was chosen by the WBC membership as the decade's most dramatic, while the 1988 Tyson-Michael Spinks bout in Atlantic City was acclaimed the most spectacular and decisive,

Imperfect practice Newcastle, Australia (Reuter) -Ivan Lendl, of Czechoslovakia, the world No. 1, lost 4-6, 6-3, 6 4 against Christo van Rensburg

his practice partner, in a round-robin tennis match at the International Tennis Classic yester-day. Lendl complained throughout about the bounce of the balls as the South African defied windy conditions to win in two hours 20 minutes.

#### Stadler signs on

Melbourne (AP) — Craig Stadler, the US Masters winner, has signed to play in the Coca-Cola golf classic at Royal Mel-bourne from January 18 to 21, organizers announced yester-day. He will join Payne Stewart, day, He will join Payne Stewart, the US PGA champion, Ronan Raffety, the leading money winner in Europe last year, Isao Aoki, of Japan, Bernard Langer, of West Germany, and Peter Senior, Rodger Davis, Brett Ogle and Ian Baker-Finch, of Australia

Israeli protest

Jerusalem (Reuter) - The Israel Tennis Association said on Thursday it would protest to the International Tennis Association against a refusal by India to grant visas to four Israeli players hoping to compete in the Indian satellite circuit this week. Kollie Friedstein, the Israel association's cheirman esid the association's chairman, said the refusal by the Indian embassy in Cairo to issue the visas was "clearly taken on political grounds". India is a strong supporter of the Palestinian uprising in Israeli-occupied territories.

Links with peerage A £24million plan was unveiled yesterday to turn Stoneleigh Abbey, Warwickshire, the an-cestral home of Lord Leigh, into a world-class golf course. Gra-ham Brown and Ken Harrison, the developers who are buying the estate, have submitted plans that include a 23-bedroom lux-



the happy couple

The dream ticket of the President's Putter remains intact. Fiona Macdonald and Andrew Edmond survived two more rounds at Rye yesterday and are converging upon each other from opposite sides of the draw, as they will do in September It was another day of special riumph for Macdonald, who recovered from three down to win 2 and 1, both in the morning, against Robin Lawson, and in the afternoon,

Robson is an old University Match opponent and yes-terday's victory loads the dice 2-1 on the distaff side. His golf, he said, "was a far cry from the level fours of Wednesday."

Because of her unique pos-ition, as the only female mem-ber of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society, Macdonald always attracts a gallery, including press photographers. By now she is used to this accompaniment but it is a rare experience for Robson and after a promising start it seemed to get to him.

Macdonald had got back to only one down at the turn in a penetrating damp murk and was all square at the 4th (their 13th), when Robson pitched from below a bank only to the edge of

A laudable half in three at the short 5th was followed by two woe-begone concessions by Robson. He hit his second into the dunes at the 6th and left it there, and fluffed a chip at the short 7th to take five. Two fine shots at the 8th offered him the possibility of survival, for Macdonald was in the "pimples" of the tee and

could not make the green. Sadly Robson now took three dispirited putts, missing his second from five feet. Edmond meanwhile played superb golf all day. He was two under par in the morning in overpowering Tom Walker by 8 and 7, and maintained his

form in the afternoon against Roger Devlin, a predecessor as Worplesdon Club champion. Edmond was one under par for the first nine in the fifth round but still only one up. Devlin achieved a rare birdie at the 16th to get back once more to one down, and a fine shot to the green at the short 17th promised still better things.

promised still better things. Edmond, however, chipped defly to three feet. Anything might have happened at the 18th, with Devlin just on the green and Edmond just off it, but Devlin, alas, missed his second putt from four feet and Edmond was not ruit to a nerve-Edmond was not put to a nerveracking test from much the same RESULTS FROM RYE

SECOND ROUND: A P Stracey (Fitz-william, Cambridge) bt G O Leach (St Peter's, Oxdoro), at 19th.
THRD ROUND, TOP NALE: R J H Randell (St John's, C) bt E R Deater (Jesus, C), 2 and 1; D I Wilson (Megdalone, C) bt W M Weynerowski (Corpus, O), 2 and 1; I J M Smith (Stroth, C) bt G Essel (Hughes Hell, C), 6 and 5; D J Harrison (St Edmund Hell, O), 2 and 1; T R Greev (Skiney Susseex, C) bt C L A Edg. In (Pambroka, O), 4 and 3; M Yates 6; Cathestre's, O) bt J B Higgo (Christ Church, O), 1 tole; J C Downs (Queens', C) bt A de C Aldrich-Blake (Pembroka, C), 3 and 2; J T L Wasson (Trinity, Hell, C) bt A D Swanston (Pembroka, C), 2 and 1; C E Travers (Jesus, C) bt M A Jones (Downlan, C), 5 and 4; J M Whitmore (Care, C) bt C R Haines (Trinity, C), 1 hole; C J Weight (Jesus, C) bt M A Jones (Downlan, C), 5 and 4; J M T Warman (Salwyn, C) bt R J G Hurst (Christ Church, O), 2 and 1; R J P Summers (Christ Church, O), 2 and 1; R J P Summers (Christ Church, O), 5 and 1; R J P Summers (Christ Church, O), 5 and 1; R J P Summers (Christ Church, O), 5 and 1; R J P Summers (Christ Church, O), 5 and 1; R J P Summers (Christ Church, O), 5 and 1; R J P Summers (Christ Church, O), 5 and 1; R J P Summers (Christ Church, O), 5 and 1; R J P Summers (Christ Church, O), 5 and 1; R W Devin (Wachsen, O) bt G

Church, O), 3 and 2: J E Robson (Pembroke, O) bt S R Ashworth (Hertford, O), 2 and 1: F J MacConsid (Trintly, C) bt R P Lawson (Kebie, O), 2 and 1: G D Wuclist (New College, O) bt T E D Herter (Orte, O), 2 and 1; D L Baxter (Christ Church, O) bt Sr M William (Pembroke, C), 2 and 1; D L Baxter (Christ Church, O) bt Sr M William (J) bt N A Froggett (Hertford, O), 2 and 1; A L Woolnough (Wadham, O) bt N J Burke (Lady Mangaret Hall, O) bt B H G Chepman (Clare, C), 2 and 1; D bt B H G Chepman (Clare, C), 2 and 1; D bt B H G Chepman (Clare, C), 2 and 1; D bt B H G Chepman (Clare, C), 2 and 1; D S Werden (Fizzvellerin, C) bt D C Taylor (Salveyn, C), 2 and 1; N R M Philosox (New College, O) bt P R Pentacost (Pembroka, C), at 19th; R H Bigley (Queens; C) bt P Weller (St John's, C), 2 and 1; J D S Fricker (Belliol, O) bt J R Bernett (Keble, O), 3 and 2; G M Langlord (Rembroke, C) bt W J Liziell (Trintly, O), 1 hole; M J Reece (St Catharine's, C) bt Stracey, 2 holes.

FOURTH ROURD: Remdell bt Wilson, 5 and 4; Smith bt Harrison, one hole; Yesies bt Grew, 4 and 3; Watson bt Downs at the 20th; Travers bt Weight, 3 and 2: Hempel bt Wilsmore, 4 and 3; Warman bt Summers, one hole; Youngman bt Rendell, 2 and 1; Macdonadt bt Robson, 2 and 1; Wucliett bt Bader, one hole; Voolnough bt Davie, 7 and 6; Warden bt Chivers, 4 and 3; Bligley bt Philosox, one hole; Voolnough bt Davie, 7 and 6; Warden bt Chivers, 4 and 3; Bligley bt Philosox, one hole; Voolnough bt Davie, 7 and 6; Warden bt Chivers, 4 and 3; Bligley bt Philosox, one hole; Proceed and 2.

THIRD ROUND, BOTTON HALP: D L. Rendall (Oriel, O) bt P J R Bethurst (Magdelene, C), 6 and 5; D J Youngman (Brasenese, O) bt K Feerson (Cirist FOR THE RECORD

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Germans for Italy Milan (AFP) - Mario Kummer and Jan Schur, the East German cycling champions, are to sign professional terms with Salotti-Chareau d'Ax, of Italy.

## eight birdies

La Costa, California Greg Norman has often been portrayed as a golfing superstar who has never quite lived up to that almost impossible image in the way, for instance, that Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer, Tom Watson or Bobby Jones did.

But the Queenslander, with his shock of fair hair, eagle features and Midas-like propensity to chink up United States and Australian dollars, pounds sterling and Japanese yen in prodigious quantities, has never given himself a finer chance to get off to a better start than here at Mony's \$1 million Tour-

In Thursday's first round, Norman shrugged off a potentially disastrous seven at the 526-yard second and, with eight birdies, drew level on 66 with his fellow Australian, Ian Raken, Finch, and Paul Azinger, of the United States.

Norman has frequently failed to win from favourable posit-ions yet, to be fair, he has had his share of bad luck. In 1986, he lost the PGA title when Bob Tway boled a bunker shot at the last hole and the 1987 Masters play-off went awry when Larry Mize sank a 40-yard pitch on the second extra hole. In the Open play-off at Troon last year he was beaten by Mark Calca-

Norman always seems at his best when it does not really matter, witness his final round of 68 here last year which propelled him into fourth place. Vo one doubts his awesome talent, which was sparked into incandescence on Thursday after he had hit a four-iron into a

back bunker at the long second. Baker-Finch did not have a US card when he won the South-West Colonial title in Fort Worth, Texas, last May but that gave him a two-year exemution on this tour and he impres the first round here. He played for several seasons in Europe and led the 1984 Open at St Andrews after three rounds. In the following year he won the Scandinavian Open.

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## English Open for the irrst une as Manchester yesterday. It was arguably his finest win and confirmed him as England's leading player this season, during which be has reached the final of the Hungarian Open and the semi-final of the Austrian reached the last eight. He heat Desmond Douglas, a guest at his wedding in Huddernfield last month, 21-17, 24-22, 21-11 in a fiscinating match. Xinhna was a master of variety, exhibiting back spin defence, top spin attack, and multi-spin serves. But Jeanette, Chen's new bride, could not bear to watch. Instead the charismatic émigrépaced the arena alone, coaching himself as he walked in circles between games, muttering to Pream won 21-11, 21-12, 20-22, 21-12 and dominated such long periods of the match that he held a point to win in straight games — a result which would not have flattered him. He hit so hard in the back-hand-to-backhand rallies with the pimpled side of his bat that he had established a psychologi-cal ascendancy halfway through Alison Gordon, the England No. 1, also reached the last eight with a fine 19-21, 21-18, 21-18, 14-21, 21-18 win over Kim ne mad estatusion a psychologi-cal ascendancy halfway through the second game. By then Chen was shaking his head and miss-ing with his normally dangerous

**TABLE TENNIS** 

Prean scores fine

win over China's

leading player

Carl Prean beat Chen Longcan, China's leading player, to reach the last eight of the Leeds English Open for the first time at

IAN STEWAR

With a little 17-21, 21-10, 21-10, 21-10, 14-21, 21-18 win over kim Youn Soon, of South Korea.

RESULTS: New's singles: Third rouse: K Salto (Japan) to N. Chastatoin (F.1, 21-8, 21-10, 18-21, 21-13; Chen Xinhau (Cleve) bt D Douglas (Was) to D Meannow (USSR), 21-18, 13-21, 21-19; D Meannow (USSR), 21-18, 13-21, 21-19; D Meannow (USSR), 21-18, 13-21, 21-19; Women's singles: Third rouse: M Hosthino (Jepan) bt Park Kyong Ae (S Kor), 21-16, 21-10, 21-19; Moon Jung im (S Kor) bt L. Lomes (Bedes, 21-17, 21-2, 21-18; Soo M (S Kor) bt E Couber (Fr. 21-19, 24-22, 23-22, 21-22, 21-27; V Popowa (USSR), 21-17, 21-21, 21-21, 21-21, 21-21, 22-20, 21-12; A Gordon (Beria) bt (Om Youn Soon (S Kor), 19-21, 21-18, 21-18, 14-27, 21-18, M Mrachons (Coll bt Kim Youn Soon (S Kor), 20-22, 21-18, 21-18, 16-21, 21-14. forehand when he got it into the action from cramped positions on the backhand side or by stretching wide on the other "I play with a Chinese player, Yang Yinghua, in my team in the German league, and he plays in exactly the same way. But I had never played Chen before and I am delighted," Prean said.

sound defence.

Bray and Anderson, in midfield, make the openings for
their sharpshooters, Leadbeater
and Nigel Land, the son of the
former Great Britain player,

victory against Chen, twice a member of Chinese world title-winning sides, may rate higher. Chen Xinhua, the Chinese player who wants to play for England next season, also reached the last eight. He beat

HOCKEY

### Reading plump for **Seddon selection**

mark Seddon, one of the outstanding players for South East, winners of the under-18 title in the recent NatWest divisional tournament at Coventry, is in the Reading team for today's home match against Brean in the fifth round of the Nationwide Antic Cure

Nationwide Anglia Cup.
Reading have a different line-Reading have a different line-up for the cup compared to the league. Young players, like Seddon and Chris Keevil, ac-quired from Maidenhead, have caused some of the senior players, like Staynor, to sit on the bench. The result is Reading have gone further than ever in the cun, having been beaten by the cup, having been beaten by Neston in the fourth round last

season.
While Reading are at the the league, Brean are third in the second division behind St Albans and Neston. Lee has scored 11 goals for Brean in a total of 19

in 10 matches. Osborn, Reading's leading scorer last season, has not done much in the league this time around, but he did score five goals in the 7-1 third-round cup win against Warrington, and on difficult opposition from one of the three against Welton in the fourth round.

on difficult opposition from the fourth round.

In the two remaining fifth-ound matches today - five Swindon, and the Castle Sports round matches today - five games have been postponed -Coventry and North Warwickshire are at home to Harleston Magnies, who hold second place in the Norwich Union East League, while Sheffield visit the first division club, Isca. Sheffield, fourth in the North Hou

Premier League, are led by their goalkeeper, Pratt, with two

experienced full backs, McClure indoor reputation.

#### Scots progress after Muir comes to life

From a Correspondent, Elmshorn, West Germany Scotland cleared their first hur-dle in the European women's itous goal, when her shot from a

indoor championship here yes-terday by beating Italy 6-3. But they rarely achieved the degree of efficiency for which they are Italy were the more progressive side in the early stages and deservedly took the lead in the

third minute from a corner by Sonia Scalia. It was five minutes before the Scots could make any impression because of the dominance of Scalia. Carol Muir brought life to the Scots when she struck a post

from a deflection and, in the twelfth minute, Gillian Mes-

corner entered the net off a post. In the closing six minutes of

the half the match swung Scot-land's way. This transformation in fortunes was brought about by the alert Muir, who found the target on three occasions to give the Scots a 4-1 lead at half-time, Elaine Blair extended Scotland's lead two minutes after the interval Scalia and Sharon Bissett

shared goals at the start of the final quarter

#### **Lions even honours**

England's World Cup team, carrying the banner of the Lions, drew 2-2 with El Cid, the Spanish national side, in the Los Reyes tournament at Barcelo yesterday (Sydney Friskin The Spaniards, who are in the

same group as England in the World Cup at Lahore next month, seized the initiative and took a 2-0 lead by half-time.
David Faulkner started an England revival by converting a

short comer earry in the second half and, midway through this period, Batchelor saved the game for England with a well-taken goal from open play.

Earlier, Southgate, the national league champions, proved the most for Pedralies, the short corner early in the second too good for Pedrables, the Spanish club, to win 3-0. Grange, the Scottish club, were held to a 1-1 draw by Polo 1897. Real Club de Polo, the host club, lost 3-0 to the Blue Devils, the French national side.

CRICKET

**REAL TENNIS** 

#### **Deuchar and Fletcher** defend their title

By a Special Correspondent her honeymoon, the holder, Alex Warren-Piper, teams up with Mellissa Briggs to defend the title. Their closest challengers will probably be the pairing of Magda Groszek and Jo Page.

At Learnington, Martin and Bill Fairbarns, both past winners, should again reach the final, where they will probably

This weekend provides striking evidence of the growing pop-ularity of real tennis in this country. There are four tour-naments — the British pro-fessional doubles and ladies' doubles at Canford School, the Fathers and Sous at the Tennis Court Club, Learnington Spa, and the Henry Leaf Cup for public school old boys at Queen's Club.

final, where they will probably meet John and Marcus Ward. In the Henry Leaf, which is being played as a doubles event on the In the professional doubles, Lachlan Deuchar and Jerom Fletcher, the holders, are likely lines of the Noel Bruce Cup for to contest the final with either the first time, Radley, the holders, represented by the the Ronaldson brothers, Chris and Steve, or Christopher Bray and Peter Brake. In the ladies' doubles in the absence of her world rackets champion. James Male, and Julian Snow, the amateur tennis champion, look regular partner, Saily Jones, on likely winners.

#### Akram adds to Pakistan woes

Brisbane (Reuter) - The injuryhit Pakistan touring team re-ceived another blow yesterday when Wasim Akram, the fast bowler, reported a groin strain which was likely to keep him out of the four-day match against Queensland starting today.

Intikhab Alam, the team manager, said Akram would probably be rested to give him time to recover for the first Test against Australia, which begins in Melbourne on Friday. The Pakistanis held a team-

talk yesterday to discuss their form Javed Miandad, Abdul Qadir and Saleem Yousuf are carrying injuries and Salim Malik and Ramiz Raja have yet to arrive. Salim is recovering from tonsilitis and Ramiz from a dislocated

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Indoors for the last-32 stage of the Royal Bank of Scotland national club championship, teams in eight groups of four are in action at four venues tomor-row. The winners of each sec-tion move on to the quarter-finale of Coattal Balance

finals at Crystal Palace on January 19.

At Crystal Palace tomorrow, St Albans, the holders, face opposition from Blackheath, Teddington and Old Bordenians, and are expected to go through easily to the last northern challengers, are in a tough group at the Cocks Moors Woods Centre, Birmingham, where they will play Warrington, Havant and Bromley.

Doncaster, who reached the quarter-finals last season, are also at Crystai Palace, and take - · 200

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ms, Alderley Edge The two other indoor venues Complex, Spalding. At Swin-don, East Griastead, runners-up in the past two seasons, will have to do without Leman and Clift, who are in Barcelona with the England outdoor squad.

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present Record of the second o across. is the rule? For Bond and his screaming skis, the solution was probably correct but avalanches do behave differently. Much has been written about their cruel nature and how to avoid them, little about what to do when you

meet one face to face. First do not panic. Second: try to identify its nature. A loud report normally means a slab avalanche, which you may be able to ski away from; any other type and you must try to ski across its

SPORTS BOOK OF THE WEEK

## White magic mountains

The origins of the ski are lost in the mists of time. Gliding on snow seems a natural step from pursuing the elusive elk. **Ranulf Rayner** charts how skiing grew from molehill into mountain down the years

Then, from high up above him, he heard that most dreaded of all sounds in the High Alps, that rending, booming crack! The Last Trump! Avalanche! The ground shook violently under Bond's skis and the swelling rumble came down to him like the noise of express trains roaring through a hundred tunnels. God almighty, now he really had had it. What was the rule? Point the skis straight downhill! Try and race it! Bond pointed his skis down towards the tree-line, got down in his ugly crouch and shot his skis screeching into white space (From "On Her Majesty's Secret Service", by Ian

ames Bond liked his vodka martinis shaken and not stirred. When, in 1969. On Her Maiesty's Secret Service was filmed at Mürren, home of the dreaded Inferno, the delights of summer skiing were far from the director's mind. What he wanted was macho, hard-gritted stuff ~

Murren, its name derived from murus, Latin for "wall", breathes macho, for it sits perched precariously on a 2,600ft precipice above the valley of Lauterbrunnen in the Swiss Alps. Today, mercifully for most, the cable car that connects the village to the summit of the 9,745ft Schilthorn — built with financial aid from Mr Bond ~ saves racers the 5½-hour climb on skis that, from the Inferno's inception in 1928, used to be all part of the course.

The Inferno, which once had a geschmozzie (mass) start, is a race without gates except where you dive into the "Gun Barrel" in a mad plunge for the valley 7,500ft below. It is a January free-for-all. an opportunity for amateurs to pit themselves against often intolerable conditions in the very worst of weather. It tests a racer's skills and powers of endurance to the limit and at 8% miles it has remained the longest downhill race in the world.

There are several ways to die skiing: it is a dangerous sport. You could, like James Bond, be caught in an avalanche.

A dry snow avalanche is the most devastating, generating a destructive blast of air before it, similar to a high-explosive bomb. It may travel faster than a skier can fall through the air. Wind speeds have been recorded of 190mph and because, in the swirling snow, the individual flakes lose their feathers, the powder drops as a solid mass, making it difficult to dig out alive victims who have not already

As snow becomes saturated in warmer weather, it often slides away from a single point of origin to ball up and roll down the mountain, gathering rocks as it gains momentum - a wet snow avalanche. Often a skier can move laster than this type but, should be get caught, he may either be hit by debris or, worse still, buried under snow with the consistency of wet concrete. A large avalanche may consist of a million tonnes of Show.

Rather than start at a single point, a slab avalanche breaks away, usually with a loud report, from large areas at once. The snow, which has probably been lying in layers, then falls in a slab, breaking into smaller pieces as it accelerates. Dry slab avalanches are often caused by wind-pack and wet slab avalanches by water spreading over a lower layer of ice. They are difficult to avoid as they

So, as Bond asked himself, what

attempted the incredible feat of skiing from above the dizzy heights of the South Col of Mount Everest down a sheer slope to the Western Cwm, a terrifying drop of path, if possible, to higher ground.



to make a breathing space. Fourth: keep still - it uses up less oxygen and oray.

The surest way to die is to try skiing several thousand feet down a 50-60° snow precipice. That is precisely what Sylvain Saudan set out to achieve when, in October 1969, he launched himself off the top of the Aiguille de Bionnassav. a 13,000ft peak in France, which is the steepest and iciest slope on which such a descent was then, and still is, considered possible. Amazingly, he survived,

Saudan, a Swiss mountain guide considered by many to be crazy, is only one of a growing number of skiers (among them the former President of France, Giscard d'Estaing, credited many years ago with the second descent of the north face of Mont Blanc) who have taken downhill skiing to the limit. Among others, Heini Holzer, from Italy, and Gerhard Winter, one of the early pioneers from Austria, are particularly well known for their daring. Foolhardiness, no: the planning is

meticulous. Holzer tackles the problem differently from Saudan, for whereas the latter usually makes a detailed reconnaissance of each awesome slope by helicopter, Holzer climbs them if they are climbable in order to choose his precise route down from ground

Safety equipment is hardly considered; sharp edges to skis and points to the sticks are essential. The rest is a gamble with Although both skiers will de-

scend in a rapid, almost staccato, succession of turns, Holzer jumps but Saudan just bounces. There is one other ski maniac, however, Yuichiro Muira, who prefers to take it straight. Muira, one of Japan's great post-war heroes, in May 1970

and southern Sweden.

over 4,000ft. Near the base of this icy wall - so steep that it has never one trusty pointed ski stick.

been climbed - a bottomless crevasse awaited its first victim. Muira relied entirely on a parachute to break his speed, which he calculated would open in the rarefied atmosphere at about 108mph. It opened but failed to slow him. He fell and slid to a halt within a few hair-raising feet of the

History tells us little about the early skis or who invented them, and to find out would be no less difficult than trying to discover the makers of the first nude attempts at the wheel. But although the origins of the ski have been lost in the mists of time, it is safe to assume that the idea of gliding on snow was simply a progression from the weary business of plodding after the ever elusive elk, wolf or wandering herds of reindeer.

Probably the oldest rock art ever discovered, in a Norwegian cave, represents a skier and in the Swedish marshes geologists have found fragments of skis, such as those at Hoting, which have been pollen-dated to as far back as 2500BC. Stone Age man seems to have had a wide choice of skis, the Arctic type (two short skis) being most popular in Russia, the Nordic type (two long, thin skis) in Finnish Lapland and the Osterdal type (one long ski for gliding and a short one for pushing) in Norway

At last, with the invention of the ski, reindeer ranching became a reality and hunting over the frozen wastes such a worthwhile occupation that tribesmen, when they died, were no longer buried with

helium: a St Moritz Olympic poster of 1928 any weapon other than their own

In 555AD the Byzantine historian, Procopius, mentioned the Laplanders as skridfinnen (gliding) Finns and in their national poem, the Kalewala, the Finns' great hero, Lemminkainen, had a ski stick which caused smoke to rise every time he touched the snow with it.

Flying through the air as if filled with

Norwegian history is laced with many stories of skiing and since 1932 a cross-country ski race, the Birkebeinerlauf, has been held every year to commemorate the episode in 1206 when, during the Baglern Revolt, two valiant Birkebeiner, King Sverre's faithful bodyguards, skied with the infant Prince Haakon Haakonsson to safety across the snow-covered Dovre Mountains.

In 1520 another epic journey took place in Sweden when Gustav Vasa (who became Kine Gustavus Eriksson) returned 55 miles on skis from Salen to Mora in order to lead his people against the invading Danes, an exploit remembered today by a crosscountry ski race which is still the longest in the world.

Thomas à Becket's secretary wrote in 1180 that men with bones tied to their feet "doe slide as swiftly as a birde flyeth in the aire" and this did not go unnonced by the military. In 1200, at the time of the Battle of Oslo, King Sverre of Sweden already had an elite reconnaissance company equipped with skis and, when war was declared with Sweden in 1808, Norway mobilized over 2,000

regular ski troops. By the beginning of the nineteenth century, skis were still

being used principally by the Scandinavian armies. But socially skiing was quite unacceptable. As far as most were concerned, it was a poor form of transport used otherwise by farmers and

labourers.

At this stage skiing spread not south into central Europe but west into North America. The first skiers in the New World probably sailed from Stavanger on the steamship Restoration which, with a passenger list composed entirely of miners and lumber-men, arrived off California in October 1825. In 1857 a Norwegian labourer was responsible for introducing skis to the Canadians and it was not long before they and their American neighbours were regarding skiing as more of a relaxation than a necessity. In 1867 the first American ski club was inaugurated at La Porte in California.

urprisingly, it was not until 1860 - one year before the first ski club in the world was founded in Australia that skis were first seen but not used in central Europe, at Sils Maria in the Swiss Engadine.

Accounts of those times are blurred but in 1864 only a few miles further up the valley, Johannes Badrutt, at the Kulm Hotel in St Moritz, was probably the first hotelier to invite foreigners to enjoy a winter holiday in the Alos.

That four English gentlemen remained with him until the snow melted, if not an indication of the winter sports fever that was to follow, could hardly be attributed solely to his generosity or an addiction to his cellar. Skiing emerged as a sport not in

the Alps, however, but close to where it had all started, and it was largely due to one man, Sondre Norheim. Born in Morgedal in western Norway in 1825, he was obsessed with skiing from an early age and, although virtually illiterate, had by 1866 perfected two methods of turning downhill and the most exciting modifications to ski design since the Stone Age. In 1840 Sondre had discovered that, by landing on sloping ground, he could risk jumping further than any man before him, and thus he is credited with being the inventor

of the modern ski jump. The skis he designed had three novel features: they were "waisted" or made narrower under the bindings to give better control; they were shorter, being under eight feet in length; and, instead of just a toe-piece, the bindings had an additional heel strap of twisted willow.

In 1866 Sondre demonstrated his novel turns, which he named the "telemark" and the "christiania" and two years later he leapt 60 feet to win the jumping competition at Christiania (now Oslo) that would later be known as the notorious Holmenkollen

The skis Sondre Norheim designed have remained almost unaltered except in material until today; the christiania is here to stay and the telemark is staging a revival.

Not until 1891, when the Arctic explorer, Fridtjof Nansen, published a book, did skiing fire the imagination of a few gallant gentlemen in the Alps. Among those intrigued by Nansen's book was an Austrian adventurer, Mathias Zdarsky. Determined to try out the Norwegian's ideas, he spent several winters skiing alone in the Black Forest, and in 1896 he published his own book, in which he made the first methodical analysis of a turn he had invented, now universally known as the stem turn. A follower wrote:

"The most common movements of man he has nationally plied with the why, the wherefore and the how theory. As a genius of expedients and makeshifts, he can have few rivals, combining as he does something of the cunning of a savage with the practical knowledge of an engineer."

It was these qualities which enabled him to design an advanced ski and a new type of metal binding he later named after Lilienfeld, a village near

Habernreith in Austria, which became his mountain hermitage. Here he taught a motley rabble how to ski S-turns, attributing his success to "iron discipline which recognizes no distinction of sex, age or rank".

"It is," he wrote, "the most primitive rule of conduct that, of two people who have dealings with each other, one must be the speaker and the other the listener." Those who listened became pupils of the world's first recognized ski school.

Just as Zdarsky had been en-thused by the exploits of Nansen, his pioneering spirit was to rub off on many others, notably among them his German disciple, W. R. Rickmers, and a kindred Austrian, Hannes Schneider. Rickmers had set up a ski school at Adelboden in Switzerland, where he spent several seasons instructing the British, one of whom was the young Arnold Lunn.

n R. D. Blackmore's book, Lorna Doone, it is men-tioned that skis were used in Devon over 350 years ago, but early British visitors to Switzerland had no thoughts of sampling the Alps in winter, preferring the warm sum-mer months when they could do a little gentle hill walking or take the waters of a health-giving spa.

At the end of the nineteenth century, travelling through Europe was still a considerable undertaking, and it was only because of the enthusiasm of such men as Sir Henry Lunn, Arnold's father, who happened to run a travel business, that winter sports holidays finally became popular, initially with the British and then with the Dutch. At first skating was all the rage,

as were curling and the more adventurous sport of lugeing. Skiing took very much second place, with skiers regarded mostly as figures of fun. It was not until the 1920s that Alpine skiing and ski racing really started to make an

In 1913 Arnold Lunn proposed in his book, Skiing, that stick riding be banned from all downhill events and it was not long before the single pole, long dis-carded by the British or "Caulfield School", as it was called, disappeared. By 1922 Lunn also considered that style was playing too great a part in competitive skiing and, for the Alpine Ski Challenge Cup at Mürren in January 1924, he set an entirely new type of course, naming it a slalom, which would test speed and speed alone. It was the start of competitive Alpine skiing as we know it today. In that same year, the Fêdêra-

tion Internation was formed and the first Winter Olympic Games were held in Chamonix Lunn who was seldom lost for words, described his new form of competition in these terms: "Neither the Swedish president of the FIS nor the Norwegian vice-president could have envisaged a future in which the main interest at the Olympic Games would be focused . . . on downhill and a new form of competition [the slalom], invented by an Englishman of whom they had never heard, at a Swiss centre they had never visited."

Lunn had also formed the Kandahar Ski Club, named after a town in Afghanistan, where nobody skied, in 1924: it was to revolutionize skiing and in-evitably provoke rivalry. One year later the Downhill Only Club (DHO) was founded at Wengen by Dick Waghorn, winner of the 1929 Schneider Trophy air race in the famous Supermarine S6. The English influence was praised thus by a Dr Zahnd, Kur-direktor of Wengen at the time:

"The race between the DHO and the local skiers gave the Wengeners their first incentive to master the Alpine forms of competition and at last the job of learning to ski seriously... the English provided a Sportliches Vorbild [sporting model] in the best sense of the word, for the Wengeners learned from them not only to race and do battle but also

President of the Wengen Ski Club at that time was Ernst Gertsch, who some years later conceived a downhill course, the Lauberhorn, which is still one of the best known in the world. In 1928 Lunn and Hannes Schneider staged the first Arlberg-Kandahar, which was to become the "blue ribbon" of downhill racing.

Downhill courses today are usually set over a distance of about two miles with a drop of up to 3,300ft for men (2,300ft for women) and take around two minutes to complete, reaching speeds of up to 90 and averaging more than 60mph.

Franz Klammer, of Austria. who won the Olympic gold medal at the 1976 Winter Olympics at Innsbruck and in an astonishing career won an unprecedented 25 World Cup victories, said of his downhill successes: "I ski only against the mountain, never against the man."

Lunn's brainchild, the special slalom, is a sabre dance performed, not with swords to a crescendo of thrilling music, but with flashing skis through a chorus of yelling supporters. Good slalom skiers are artists, able to turn through a maze of gates accurately, smoothly and at high speed.

Extracts from The Story of Skiing. by Robert Guy and Ranuif Rayner

## Coe plans two more Games warm-ups after Hobart win

makes his international fareintends to compete at a minor and at the Sydney inter-national meeting a week "But I've put my other tomorrow. "But I've put my other affairs on the back burner and

While reflecting yesterday on how well his preparations had been going. Coe, twice the Olympic 1,500 metres champion and the world record holder for 800 metres, said that he was eagerly awaiting the chance to register his first double at an international championship. He competes in the 800 and 1,500 metres in Auckland before retiring from athletics to concentrate on a

"I've not got a Common-wealth Games medal and I'm having a Commonwealth

wealth team and a good number of Americans." Jay Wittenberg, the competition director, said. Other Canadians will already

have taken an early flight to Auckland, New Zealand, for the

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By Gordon Dunwoody Jim Baker became the first

Sebastian Coe, whose first team at a major champion-competition in nearly four ships again," Coe said from ever you have been picked over and above other people months ended in victory on Hobart, where he beat the Thursday, plans to contest 1982 Commonwealth 800 meyou have extra reason to justify your selection," he two more races before he tres champion, Peter Bourke, in 2min 21.0sec, compared to Judging by his performance in Hobart, where his time was some nine seconds outside his

well at the Commonwealth the Australian runner-up's Games, which start on January 24. After winning over forward to the Games with 1,000 metres in Hobart, Coe excitement rather than sadness," Coe said. "I don't think meeting in Melbourne to-wards the end of next week odd years without feeling a

> realized after Barcelona [the World Cup in September] that if I was going to go seriously for this I could not think about picking up those things until February or March. I have made my commitment to athletics and it is nice to be concentrating solely on getting 1986 European champion-

who was given the dis-cretionary place at 800 metres, is concerned with more than really enjoying the opportu-nity of being in an England before his retirement. When-

American indoor

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#### distances, makes him no more confident. Coe, aged 33, said that he was following much the same training programme as when and 1.500 metres silver at the

world best but was achieved "on a horrendously windy night", Coe should be in

medal-winning form come Auckland. But the omission by the Kenyan selectors of Paul Ereng (800 metres) and Peter Rono (1,500 metres), the

Olympic champions at both

ships. "At my age you have to Coe, who secured his 1,500 be a bit more careful about metres place in the England team by winning the trial, but be a bit more careful about niggling injuries than when spect about the number of quality sessions you put back to back, but so far as my speed and endurance are concerned I haven't noticed any dif-

#### Centenary race fillip for Scots

Raleigh, North Carolina (Reuter) — The repercussions of the Ben Johnson affair, financial competition from Europe and a clash with the Commonwealth Games, have affected the North American indoor athletics grand prix circuit which opens in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, today.

Only II meetings in the United States and Canada — the lowest number in the nine-year history of the circuit — are scheduled for January and February. Three other events, including two in Canada, have been cancelled because of declining interest by sponsors and spectators.

"We are hoping for 12 members of the Canadian Commonwealth Games which open on January 24.

Organizers of the two other Canadian meetings on the circuit at Hamilton, Ontario, on January 12, have taken drastic action because of the Games. "We have decided not to hold action because of the recomment or hurdles races because there won't be any Canadians here," Cecil Smith, the meeting director, said.

The competition should improve dramatically once the circuit, which offers about £123,500 in prize-money, including two in Canada, have been cancelled because of declining interest by sponsors and spectators.

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compatriot and the Olympic compatriot and the Olympic champion and outdoor high hurdles world record-holder, expects to break the indoor record for the 60 metres hurdles set by Greg Foster,

## Baker gets | Moves afoot for salmon bait ban

home-based winner of the Bushmills Whiskey Irish Mas-ters when he took the title in

Ballymoney yesterday with vic-tory by three sets to one over An "astronomic" number of salmon were killed last autumn on the lower Tay beats by rod and line fishermen using skrimp Richard Corsie, Scotland's reigning indoor champion.
Baker, world champion in
1984, has found tournament and line fishermen using shrimp and prawn. A report in an angling magazine claimed up to 200 fish were taken on some beats in a week, and a number of boatmen were "ordered not to divulge the numbers taken" in order "to avoid success hard to come by in recent years but was obviously in no mood to settle for second-Starting in superb form, a succession of brilliant jack trails and conversion shots saw Baker

win the opening set 7-1 in just six ends. However, he had to work a lot harder before adding the second. That took 11 ends According to one account which has reached me, "fishmongering" is prevalent. There were heavy catches on the Scone and Salar Redgorton beats. During a particularly beavy run last autumn, a French visitor fished from 9am to 5pm and then out a local expert to The green changed then and became a lot beavier - it really was difficult to judge weight and we both struggled a bit from thereon." Baker said. Corsie finally got off the mark when he took the third set 7-2 and then looked as if he would take the match into the decider, when he edged 6-5 ahead in the

However, Baker took advantage of a lapse in concentration from the world champion to

#### Lancashire go in search of Liberty lustre

By Gordon Allan

Neutral carpets, with which some of the players may be unfamiliar, will add to the uncertainties of the game when the quarter-finals of the Liberty Trophy are contested today.

One is the Roses match, Yorkshire against Lancashire at Newark, with Lancashire deter-Newark, with Lancashire determined to reach the semi-finals for the first time. They restore four men — Alan Taylor, Tommy Armstrong, Steve Airey and Mike Leach — who did not play in the qualifying game with Derbyshire a month ago.

Yorkshire drop John Blackett, the No. 2 to Alec Atkinson, and move Terry Machen from Tony Frosdik's rink to take his place.

Frosdik's rink to take his place. Lancashire and Worcester-shire are the only quarter-finalists not to have won the trophy. Worcestershire will do well to beat Norfolk at Luton. In the other ties, Wiltshire play Somerset at Perdiswell, and Middlesex face Hampshire at

Middlesex face Hampshire at Desborough.

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Moves to han prawn and shrimp fishing for Tay salmon are being canvassed among owners of Tay salmon fishing beats. The intention is to bring in the ban by September, when the nets are off and heavy catches are made by hait anothers.

behaviour is contained in the latest report from the Atlantic Salmon Trust, whose patron is the Prince of Wales. Sir David the Prince of Wales. Sir David Nickson, chairman of the trust, writes: "The reported behaviour of a small number of owners and their tenants on the lower reaches of the Tay and the Aberdeenshire Dee seems to be deplorable.

"More district fishery boards should apply to the Secretary of State to ban the use of natural baits, and especially the use of shrimp and prawn towards the end of the season.

which has reached me, "fishmongering" is prevalent. There were heavy catches on the Scone and Salar Redgarton beats. During a particularly heavy run last autumn, a French visitor fished from 2 am to 5 pm and then got a local expert to fish the prawn with his rod after 5 pm and before 9 am. I was told: "The fish were smeked and sold in Paris." This is not untypical of many other so-called sportsmen in the autumn.

Because of the secrecy surrounding the catches on the private beats, it is difficult to quote any accurate figures, but a short may be done to local stocks."

Dan Travers and Alex White, the Scottish contenders in New

#### **BADMINTON**

#### **European opposition** for Scotland players

Scotland's Commonwealth the Scottish rankings. Games badminton players face
opposition from Sweden, The
Netherlands and Iceland in the
Rikard Magnusson and Anders Hansson, the Swedes, are
entered in the men's doubles. Glasgow International Open at the Cockburn Centre today and

the Cockburn Centre today and tomorrow. The event will launch the sporting dimension of the festivities to mark Glasgow's role as European City of Culture 1990.

Kris Bruill and Edwin Van Dalm, of The Netherlands, are seeded third and fourth in the men's singles. Kenny Middlemiss, of Edinburgh, the top seed, who is Auckland-bound, will have to be wary of David Gilmour, aged 18, from Hamilton, who has surged to No. 3 in Doheny, the Irish champion.

#### **CROQUET**

## Triple peel is enough Great Britain and Ireland beat Australia 3-0 in the opening game of the MacRobertson Shield in Aucktand yesterday. The clearly metabol yesterday.

the second for Australia. The deciding third game was won easily by Great Britain, with Avery finishing on only the ninth turn of the game with a splendid triple peel.

RESULTS (Great Britain and Instand tames first: R Fullord and W Prichard by G Bury and L Herington, +10, +22; C Instand and M Saurin at C Petenting and B Ford.

+17, +3; D Operation and M Avery by A Cleiend and G Latham, +6, -5, +177P.

Sabin Du Leir (Peter Scudamore, right) on his way to victory over Swardean (Bruce Dowling) at Haydock yesterday

## Pipe chance for repeat bonus

ground to a temporary halt at Haydock Park yesterday when Gold Service was surprisingly beaten by Steppey Lane in the Federation Brewery Legend Bit-ter Novices Hurdle. But by the end of the after-

noon a short-priced double for Peter Scudamore with Sabin Du Loir and Star's Delight had put the Wellington team on target to land Haydock's £25,000 bonus for the second successive To win the Lancashire track's

bonanza a trainer has to supply six or more winners from a minimum of 18 runners in chases run at Haydock.
So far, with four days left, including this afternoon, Pipe has saddled five winners, so he only needs one more.

However a major stambling block, which was introduced this season for the first time, is that Pipe needs to have a runner placed in both the Peter Marsh Chase and the Greenall Whitley Troubly to win the booms.

of the course, the former high-class hurdler showed the ability to jump fences quickly and accurately. This has now won the French-bred five races over Pipe was not at Haydock, but

ripe was not at Haydock, but his right-hand man. Chester Barnes, said: afterwards, "Sabin Du Loir is difficult to beat when he's like this," and Brian Kilpatrick, one of his joint-owners, said that the Arlington Premier Series Chase final at Cheltenham. script characteristics and chemical and considering and annuary 27 is the winner's probable target.

Star's Delight, Pipe and Scudamore's second winner in the Federation Brewery Special

Ale Handicap Chase, may have been a trille fortunate. Odds of 4-1 were laid on the eight-year-old to extend his unbeaten record over fences this season to five. St Gabriel, his only oppo-nent, appeared to be travelling the better when falling at the second fence from home.

"I was flat to the boards," said Scudamore. And Graham Brad-

fallen victim to the coughing epidemic at Whitsbury and if Barnbrook Again and Pearlyman are also withdrawn, the weights will be raised 19lb, putting Star's Delight on the 10st 11b mark. Unfortunately, even the £25.000 bonus does not attract

as many runners as needed to the Haydock chases and the rather depressing sequence of odds-on favourites in these events continued when Rifle Range sprinted home by four lengths in the Federation Brewery Novices Chase at 4-1 on.

Bradley, gaining quick compensation for his fall from St Gabriel, gave Thomas Tate's seven-year-old all the time in the world to recover his confidence after a recent fall at Kempton, and the jockey had hardly to move a muscle before the pair cruised into the lead 100 yards from home. "That was just what was needed," said Monica Dickinson, who owns

## this season for the first time, is that Pipe needs to have a runner placed in both the Peter Marsh ing to take second place: "I had two gears left and I'm sure we would have won." After the departure of The Farmerskitchen at the first fence in the Federation Brewery LCL Pils Lager Intermediate Chase, Salin Du Loir encountered no difficulty in beating Swardean, his solitary surviving rival, by 15 lengths. Apart from a solitary mistake at the first ditch on the far side Twas lat to the boths. Sand Scudamore. And Graham Bradely commented after remountable Colin Murphy. Favourite backers were not so lucky over the minor obstacles. Military Honour, a 11-10 on chance to win the Federation Brewery Legend LA Conditional Jockeys Handicap Hurdle will be called "The Windowcraft Champion Chase", Philip Arkwright, the clerk of the course die, was struggling early in the straight and could only finish last but one behind Fleet Commander. The sudamore And Graham Bradely commented after remountable to colon Murphy. Favourite backers were not so lucky over the minor obstacles. Military Honour, a 11-10 on chance to win the Federation Brewery Legend LA Conditional Jockeys Handicap Hurdle will be called "The Windowcraft Champion Chase", Philip Arkwright, the clerk of the course and windowcraft Limited will be supporting all six races that day, when there will be more than Broughton Handicap, the Broughton Handicap Hurdle will be called "The Windowcraft Champion Chase", Philip Arkwright, the clerk of the course and will be supporting all six races that day, when there will be more than being a content story of the campion Chase", Philip Arkwright, the clerk of the course and will be supporting all six races that day, when there will be more than Broughton Handicap Hurdle on Chase", Philip Arkwright, the clerk of the course and the first and I'm street will be more than being a conditional Jockeys Handicap Hurdle on the cracks in the Victor Chase. The lim House at Edinburgh yesterday in the Broughton Handicap the Broughton Ch Promising McMahon a live Rate increases hit contender for amateur title southern trainers

After riding for only five months in the north of England, Paul McMahon, the former Irish jockey, surprisingly dominates the amateur championship this season with nine victories. "It's an amazing situation to be in," said McMahon in his lilting brogue, "I really had not thought about it until last week.

I just hope it continues."

Les Eyre, a permit trainer from Mirfield, in West Yorkshire, has been instrumental in McMahon's rapid emergence. Eyre has also reaped phenom-enal rewards in this, his first season training, by saddling six winners from !! runners.

"I have always had a few horses on the farm. In the past I horses on the farm. In the past I sent them away to be trained after I had them 80 per cent fit," explained Eyre. "This season, I decided to have a go myself. I have a very good jockey in Paul and a very good horse in Midland Glenn, who also came from Ireland."

It is not only trick-reased.

It is not only Irish-reared horses that create the pageant for British racing, but it is also the country that supplies many of the men that ride them.
"I had always wanted to come
over," explained McMahon.
"Les has given me the opportu-

nity and it could not have

worked out better."

The 26-year-old had already shown that ability in the saddle which appears to be in-bred to so many Irishmen, by riding 50 point-to-point winners in his native country.

point-to-point winners in his native country.

McMahon, currently two clear in the title race, is fully aware of the challenge and is relishing every moment.

"Kenny Johnson, who is with Arthur Stephenson, looks a serious danger and Chris Maude is someone I have yet to see ride, but I understand I should be keeping an eve on him. I think keeping an eye on him. I think the championship can be taken with 20 winners.

"In Ireland the amateur championship is far more competitive. Not that I am saying it will be easy to win this one. But there are far more amateurs riding and they remain amateurs. Fellows like Ted Walsh, Tony Martin and Willie Mullins are as good as any professional." The amateur status, where a

jockey does not derive payment from race-riding or income from working with horses, is these working with horses, is these days very much a masquerade,
Gone are the days of the Coriathian players who "bumped" round on their own horses. Now, the amateur status is a platform for a young rider before joining the paid ranks.
McMahon, like most of his rivals, will eventually become a professional. Anthony Tory, last year's runner-up for the title, and Pat Verling, who finished



Sun Alliance Hurdle hopefuls, Paul McMahon and Midland Glenn, who have combined to win five consecutive races

third, both ride now as professionals. In recent months, McMahon gained prominence from his confident and stylish handling of Midland Glenn, the winner of

five races.

But McMahon's arrival has not just been marked by success.

At Sedgefield on December 12, he was fined £300 for taking the

McMahon reported: "Since that incident I have continually had my leg pulled about where I will end up when I ride Midland Glenn in the Sun Alliance Hurdle at the Cheltenham festival. where they tell was the he was fined £300 for taking the wrong course.

After negotiating the last fence clear of his rivals, he inadvertently jumped the water-jump, when he should have gone round it. Two seasons ago, Geoff Harker and Graham Bradley failed to jump the notorious obstacle when they had another circuit to go. ridge at the Chepteniam resurval, where, they tell me, there are two separate courses. I'm looking forward to the ride. My fellow is a grand little horse.

Scudamore at Cagnes

Peter Scudamore will be in action at Cagnes-sur-Mer next Wednesday when he teams up with the Charle Brooks-trained AT V-M in the Driv du Canta da

The main tempt for AH Jeff All Jeff in the Prix du Courte de Nice, a chase over 2m SL All Jeff beat some useful local rivals when landing the Prix Alain do Breil over the course on December 27 when partnered by

double looks on the cards.

The main target for All Jeff remains the Grand Prix de la Ville de Nice on January 28, but connexions obviously feel that some more francs can be picket

Bradley, who witnessed Mc-

Mahon's anguish at Sedgefield, is fully aware of the Irishman's ability. "I have had my eye on him for some time. He must be the best amateur riding."

"I'll be going to Cheltenham

could only finish third behind Gurteen Boy. After this race Jonjo. O'Neill, the winning trainer, said that Vicario Di Bray was unlikely to be sent to Ireland next Saturday for The

Ladbroke. But direct encourage-ment for Peanuts Pet came from Bryan McMahon, the trainer of

Weetmans Wagon, the runner-Peanuts Pet has only 10 stone in the £50,000 feature. And McMahon, who last year sad-dled Cashew King to finish fourth to Redundant Pal, said: "He's an improving horse and must have a good chance. I know he's comparatively in-experienced, but is a quicker jumper than Cashew King."

The sponsors, who still have Fragrant Dawn as their 6-1 favourite, reported support for Peanuts Pet from 16-1 to 14-1.

Before racing, welcome news from the course executive was that they have found a sponsor for their £60,000 feature, a new

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get racecourse experience into him, is keeping his fingers crossed that he can fulfil both his immediate engagements, to-day's Boyne Handicap Chase at Nass and the Arlington Premier Commentaries of Purchastoners Series qualifier at Punche next Wednesday.

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Series qualither at Pancheshown next Wednesday.

This will be only his second ran of the season, but he put up a very creditable showing in the Durkan Brethers International Panchestowa Chase to finish second, three lengths behind Mald Of Money.

He has only three rivals today, one of whom, Barker's Benefit, has not been seen out since pulling up at Punchestowa last spring. He completed his preparation for today's race in unorthodox style, being hunted with the Meath last Wednesday.

John Fowler has designs on the Sengram Grand National with the 10-year-old, who to date has won 15 races over hardles and fences.

In terms of fitness though First Noel is the more likely

First Noel is the more likely runner-up but, barring a disaster, it should be just a lap of orsaster, it amount to produce the top weight.
Cloughtaney will make his debut over fences in the Irish National Novice Chase series, in

National Novice Chase series, in which his trainer, Paddy Mullins, will also be represented by Derrymore Boy, who was by six lengths from Rlack Sand at Fairyhouse.

Cloughtaney could make up into a very high-class staying steeplechaser as he was among the best of the Irish hurders in recent

recent seasons and took second place to Beech Road in the Sandeman Aintree Hurdle in

Another attractive event, designed to draw together the best of the novice burdlers, is the Slaney EBF Hurdle. My View was particularly impressive when handing out a five-lengths beating to Mass Appeal at I congressiown and can now cone with another good Christmas winner Grey Dannbe, who put previous jumping disappoint-ments behind him when beating Last Resort also by five lengths.

Chance winner Graham McCourt moved into second place behind Peter second place behind Peter Scudamore in the jockeys' table when he picked up a chance ride on the Gordon Richards-trained Palm House at Edinburgh yesterday. His victory in the Broughton Handicap Hurdle provided McCourt with his 53rd

of £41,000 - because it has 21 tions have hit southern training stables hard, with increases of up to 2,000 per cent on 1973

figures. However, while trainers at Newmarket and Lambourn face higher bills, the rates are being levied at 34.8 pence in the pound, and the extra payments will be spread over five years.

In the first 12 months, increases will be restricted to 20 per cent plus inflation and Mark per cent plus initiation and Mark Prescott, who trains at Heath House Stables, Newmarket, has seen the rateable values of his property soar from £2,777 to £47,350. Because of the govern-ment capping scheme, he will be required to pay an extra £2,000 in the first year.

Most training establishments are finding it difficult to calculate exactly how much the rateable value of each box has increased, because residential property, including lads' hostels, has greviously been included in the calculation. the calculation but that revenue is now replaced by the community service charge.
The National Stud has been

revalued for rateable purposes from £9,794 to £112,000 but will pay less rates — £38,000 instead

staff houses.
In Lambourn, Peter Walwyn said he expected his rates to rise from £12,000 to £15,000. He felt that the Government did not fully understand the problems of the racing industry. The new scheme is a blow for small businesses. I am sure we will appeal. We must try to keep

horses,
"It's a hell of an increase and it looks as though we've got to pay rates on empty boxes, which is particularly hard on jumping

osts down for owners, because

without them there are no

is particularly hard on jumping trainers."

Prescott said that training bills would inevitably increase. "The stable lads had a deserved pay rise, but with higher rates and the possibility of trainers paying their lads' poli tax, I would expect trainers to charge an extra 20 per cent on last year's fees." year's fees."
The National Trainers'

Federation believes that the community charge is an individual responsibility and should be met by each stable lad but, with a shortage of labour in the industry, some trainers may be tempted to offer payment of politax as an incentive.

### O'Toole travels to see newcomer land gamble

Mick O'Toole, the renowned Irish trainer, was a surprise visitor at Folkestone yesterday and the reason quickly emerged when Manders Way, running for the first time, landed a gamble in promising style in the first division of the Somerfield Court Naview. Hurdle

division of the Somerfield Court
Novices' Hurdle.
"I came to see a future
Cheltenham winner," said
O'Toole, who had given
Manders Way only a couple of
runs in Irish schooling events
before selling the gelding to his
present trainer. Herriette present trainer, Henrietta Knight.
O'Toole, who had made the

long journey from Maddens-town in Co Kildare, added: Henrietta came to see me and told me she wanted to buy the best horse in Ireland for Lord Vestey. I told her that I had such a horse, but that he would cost a

a noise, but that he would cost a lot of money."

Miss Knight, who was not expecting to see O'Toole at the meeting, said: "It gave me a terrible fright when I saw him here. I first saw Manders Way in Co Tipperary when he was a three-year-old. His dam is a full sister to Artifice and I think he could be a very nice horse." could be a very nice horse." The Wantage trainer, who was saddling her twelfth winner in her first season, has now had two winners from two runners

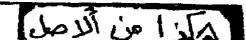
One early punter availed him-self of 12-1 against Manders Way, but the serious betting started at 5-1 and he was then backed at all started days to his backed at all rates down to his starting price of 2-1 favourite.

Llewellyn banned Carl Liewellyn was suspended for two days (January 14-15) by the Folkestone stewards after Cloven Rocks, favourite for the Fair Rosamund Handicap Chase, had finished a close second to Mr Pinkerton. Cloven Rocks returned with cuts on his right quarter and Liewellyn was adjudged to have hit the horse too hard.

After Brown Pepper, his mar-ket rival, had made the running, Manders Way picked him off at the least Manders Way picked him off at the last and quickened away to win by five lengths. Ronnie Beggan, who rode the winner, reported: "He is still very green, but that was a good performance."

Riverhead, 10-length winner of the second division of the novice hurdle, also landed some good bets and will now be aimed at the Waterford Crystal Supreme Novices' Unrelle in preme Novices' Hurdle, in which he finished ninth to Sondrio last year.





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1827 COTTAGE is reportedly held in high regard and was very confidently ridden when beating Burnt Pages by 51 at Bangor (2m 4f, soff) latest - NEAD LIU pulled up - and ahould again go very well.

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JEDGES FANCY ran on well to beet Jesters Prospect by 51 at Newcastle (2m 44, good) and should appreciate this entra 2f. FORT NOEL, winner of Nasional Hunt flet race at Navan (2m, heavy), makes his hunding debut today.

THE POD'S REVENGE, 121 winner of National Hunt Flet race at Carlisie last season (2m 11 110yd, acti), was not given a hard time on his hunding debut when 457 7th to Stimup Cup at Haydock (2m, good) and is probably capable of better.

2.15 Norquay. 2.45 Forest Ranger. 3.45 Yorkshire Holly.

YOUNG WARRIOR was well backed when very bedly hampered and pulled up behind Caste Cairs at Towcaster (2m 5f 110yd, good) on cheeing debut and looks the principal danger.

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Envopak Token and Little

Celtic Shot, another rapidly

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2.35 Forest Sun. 3.05 Hogmanay.

3.35 Coworth Park.

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Selections

By Michael Seely

2.5 Baies, 3.35 COWORTH PARK (nap).

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.35 KAMEO STYLE.

Guide to our in-line racecard

Researd number. Six-figure form (F-feit) distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in P-pulled up. U—unessed rider. B—brought down. S—stipped up. R—refused. (F—firm, good to firm, hard. Q=good. D—disqualified). Horse's name. Days S=soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in since last outing: F if Rst. (B—blinkera, by section S=soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in S=soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in place last outing: F if Rst. (B—blinkera, by section S=soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in place last outing: F if Rst. (B—blinkera, by section S=soft) of S=soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in plus any allowance. The Times Private winner. D—distance winner. CD—course and Hendicapper's rating.

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2 21 CARBAGNOLE 32 (F) (Mrs M Wetson-Smyth) G Herwood 11-4 M Persett 94
3 31 GENERAL PERSHBIG 14 (D,S) (Three Counties Stoodstock Ltd) F Jordan 11-4 J Ledder (5) 97
4 12 PHALOSOPHOR 10 (F) (F) Stade) J Balact 11-4 W McFastend (3) 97
5 31 SEA BUCK 10 (D,S) (C Buckle) G Buckley (11-4 M McFastend (3) 97
6 913 SONEETO 8 (D) (B Plaistowe) S Woodman 11-4 R Bellamy (5) 80
7 3 BADRAICHAR 9 (BF) (W Fagan) N Henderson 11-0 R Bellamy (5) 80
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1.30 FAIRLAWINE NOVICES CHASE (\$4,802: 2m 4f 68yd) (6 numers)

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**Course specialists** 

HAYDOCK PARK

Selections

12.46 STEEL PLATE AND SECTIONS YOUNG CHASERS QUALIFIER (Novices: £3,622: 2m 4f) (4 runners)

FORM FOCUS THE ANTARTEX best Royal Greek - a winner since - 5 at Hothers (2m, good), and follows up with a garde neck defeat of Marbip at Newcastle (2m, good) fast week.

COPRED PLACE faced an impossible test when a detart 3rd to Ceitic Shot over course and distance (meany) last month but did nothing to suggest would

1.15 PHILIP CORNES NOVICES HURDLE QUALIFIER (22,041: 2m 6f)

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12.45 The Antartex. 1.15 JUDGES FANCY (nap). 1.45 Phoenix Gold.

Going: soft

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Going: good (back straight good to firm)

12.55 PORTSOKEN NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £2,979; 2m) (11 runners)

to see the best of him.

Chase at Sandown Park this the most to do. He was beaten

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By Mandarin

Royal Cedar can gain his

fourth win in succession in the

Anthony Mildmay, Peter Cazalet Memorial Handicap

The eight-year-old, a fine

Connochie in his first season

training, has all the hallmarks

of the recent winners of the

had only to be ridden out to

hold one of the most consis-

12.55 Coe. 1.30 Celtic Shot.

2.05 Royal Cedar.

in good style.

Cedar, we have probably yet Both Royal Cedar and Nick race. He is a proven stayer, his The Brief are proven on good form bears close inspection, to fast ground, although the latter may just be better suited However, more signifi-

> John McConnechie: trainer of promising Royal Cedar over the larger obstacles, is hard to oppose in the Fairlawne Novices' Chase. The former champion hurdler has adapted well to his new task with emphatic wins at Haydock and Kempton, and his generally precise fencing encourages confidence in his ability to handle this searching

test of jumping.

Forest Sun is establishing

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Mr C Maude (7)

extend his winning run in the Baring Securities Tolworth Hurdle. After a surprising reverse in a modest novices' contest at Chepstow he has gone on to land competitive events at Ascot and Newbury

As the winner of a hurdle valued £5,000 he is penalized 7lb, but that looks lenient in the light of the form of his two victories. Tinryland, the winner of a competitive novices' event at Kempton over Christmas, shoulders the same penalty but his form is some way behind Forest Sun's.

Atlaal's enthusiasm is still a to find even on his emphatic come searching. Uttoxeter win last time.

hurdling debut, has had the illhimself as one of the best starts, both at Cheltenham. Chasers Qualifier. 2.5 ANTHONY MILDMAY, PETER CAZALET MEMORIAL HANDICAP

1989: MR FRISK 10-10-13 R Dunwoody (3-1) K Balley 7 ran

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2.35 BARING SECURITIES TOLWORTH HURDLE RACE (Feature race:

£7,280: 2m) (9 runners)

In hindsight, he faced almost impossible tasks in having to concede 8lb to Major Inquiry (he was beaten 21/2 lengths) and 5lb to Royal Wonder (beaten five lengths). This is easier, although he must again concede weight all round.

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However, I go nap on Judges Fancy in the Philip Cornes Novices' Hurdle Qualifier at Haydock. Considered Cheltenham material by his trainer, Chris Trietline, he began to live up to that reputation when quickening clear to win at Newcastle last month. He can only improve.

Golden Celtic has won only moot point and the greatest two minor contests and I am danger may come from the more afraid of Hey Cottage, improving Black Humour, al-though he too has something to stay should conditions be-

Phoenix Gold is fancied to Coe, an impressive course continue Jimmy Fitzgerald's and distance winner on his excellent run in the New Year Handicap Chase, while The fortune to come up against the Antartex should get backers very useful Major Inquiry and off to a good start in the Steel Royal Wonder on his last two Plate and Sections Young

## 3-1 Meshrari, 7-2 Miss Tristram, 4-1 King Of Aragon, 5-1 Youthful Pip, 6-1 Quel Eciat, 10-1 Isobar, 16-1 others. Long hendicap: Team Challonge 9-13. BETTING: 3-1 Royal Coder, 6-1 Kodak Island, Rowlandsons Jewels, Beles, 8-1 Cool Ground, 9-1 Nick The Brief, 10-1 Envopak Token, 20-1 Team Challenge, Rolf-A-Joint, Steerstry, Tarconey, 33-1 Little Polveir.

#### 2.30 LOUTH HANDICAP CHASE (£4,012: 3m) (4) MARKET RASEN

Selections By Mandarin .0 Mind Your Back. 1.30 Ibn Majed. 2.0 Isobar.

Michael Seely's selection: 1.30 Ibn Majed. Going: good (chase); good to firm (hurdles) 1.0 HORNCASTLE NOVICES CHASE (£2,485; 2m)

2.30 Hazy Sunset. 3.0 Man Of The West. 3.30 Ru-

11-10 Mind Your Back, 7-2 Smile Agein, 9-2 Infinity Rules, 12-1 Mr Cuick, Nearly Ready, 20-1 others. 1.30 LINCOLN CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE (£3,124: 2m 5f) (5) 1 111- SPRITEBRAND 383 (F,G) M H Essterby 10-11-10

2 1-F1 IBN MALED 9 (F.G.S) Jimmy Fitzgerald 8-11-7 D Syme 3 1F-0 INCURTARI CRASH 18 (F.G.S) J Edwards 10-11-0 IN Doyle (S) 4 1/80 DUNALLOW BOY 7 (F.G.S) J Upson 10-10-8 5 51F- KRYSTLE SABIT 303 (S) K Morgan 9-10-0 .... 3 Turner 4-5 Ibn Majed, 13-8 Spritebrand, 8-1 Mountain Crash (S) 4-5 lbn Majed, 13-6 Spritebrand, 6-1 Mountain Crash, 20-1 Krystle Saint, 33-1 Duhallow Boy. 20 JANUARY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,744: 2m) (13)

5 43-6 KINQ OF ARAGON 10 (0) 11 DIGUISIAN S Keightley
6 5020 MESHRARF 6 C Beever 4-10-8 B McGRI (7)
7 5225 PANSONG 17 T Fairburst 4-10-4 J Fanning (7)
8 0000 MY VALSHTINE CARD 15 (4) 5 Norton 4-10-2
9 05U- KEELLEB 240 T Korsey 5-10-0 Samen Korsey (7)
10 P508 KARLOVAC 14 (6) C Broad 4-10-0 A Carroll
11 P300 WORLDSPORTELTER 11 M Chapman 4-10-0 R Fahay
12 -P00 GOLDEN SAMENERE 11 (5) (C) M Chapman 5-10-0
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1 1911 MAZY SUNSET 11 (CD,F,G,S) C Brooks 13-12-0 air J Durken (7)
2 -61P CASTLEVESHOON 44 (F,G,S) Mix S Bramasi 9-10-8 J O'Gorman (3)
3 3-F4 FINGEST 10 (G,S) P Brans 7-10-0 Mit Brenann 4 44-5 CONSCREPTION 11 (CD,F,G,S) J Leigh 10-10-0 Gery Luces (5) 4-7 Hazy Sunset, 5-2 Castlevennon, 8-1 Fingest, 16-1 3.0 EBF NOVICES HURDLE (22,247: 2m) (15) 3.30 SLEAFORD NOVICES HURDLE (£1,954; 3m) Course specialists
TRAINERS: C Tinder, 3 winners from 8 runners, 37.5%; M H
Easterby, 21 from 87, 24.1%; Jimmy Fitzgerald, 38 from 160,
22.5%; M W Easterby, 14 from 67, 20.9%; C Bell, 5 from 29,
17.2%; J Edwards, 3 from 20, 15.0%.

JOCKEYS: B McGitt, 3 winners from 6 rides, 50.0%; Mrs A Farrell, 3 from 13, 23.1%; C Grant, 22 from 100, 22.0%; D Byrne, 8 from 38, 21.1%; Gary Lyons, 4 from 21, 19.0%; R Campbell, 3 from 19, 15.8%.

#### SOUTHWELL

Selections By Mandarin

12.55 Big Surprise. 1.25 Predictable. 1.55 Daraniyda. 2.25 Orchard Court. 2.55 J Cheever Loophole. 3.25 Timsolo.

Going: standard 12.55 BADMINTON APPRENTICE HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,259: 1m) (6 runners)

9-4 Big Surprise, 5-1 Telegraph Caligirt, 9-2 Cavella, 8-1 Si Siwat, Lady Rosemary, 12-1 Miss Kellybes.

1.25 DESIGN CONTRACTORS MAIDEN CLAIM-ING STAKES (4-Y-O: £2,490: 7f) (16) 

1.55 DESIGN CONTRACTORS MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,238: 1m) (6)

..... G Carter 6 ..... T Williams 4 2.25 OSBERTON CLAIMING STAKES (Qualifier: 3-Y-O: £2,385: 7f) (7) 1 11-1 ORCHARD COURT 5 (CDJF) T Barron 9-2

13-8 Orchard Court, 100-30 Give In, 11-2 Final Harvest, 8-1 Dontworryaboutt, 10-1 Sheen Clean Lad, 12-1 others.

2.55 RACING POST ALL WEATHER CHALLENGE HANDICAP (Round II: £2,861: 51) (7) 1 000- GLENCROFT 56 (B.D.F.Q.S) D Chapman 6-10-0 2 152- J CHEEVER LOOPHOLE 7 (D.F.S) C Tinkler 5-9-9

3 504- KABCAST 21 (B.D.F.G.S) D Chapman 5-9-8 

3.25 BURGHLEY HANDICAP (£2,364: 1m 6f) (6) 1 1,6- UNPAID MEMBER 23J (5) P Biockley 6-10-0 K Fallon 5 2 02-0 COLONNA 4 (5) C Beever 4-8-12 K Fallon 1 3 63-1 TRISCOLO 4 (CD.G.S) C Tricker 7-8-7 (7ex)... G Carter 3 4 000- AUTONOMOUS 7 (B.F.) D Chapman 5-8-1... A Proud 2 5 532- JOE BURIPAS SJ (BF) T Barron 4-8-0..... T Williams 6 6 00-6 PRECIOUS MEMORIES 4 (B.S) D Chapman 5-7-7 2-1 Colonna, 3-1 Timsolo, 9-2 Joe Bumpas, 6-1 Unpaid Member, 8-1 Precious Memorias, 10-1 Autonomous.

Course specialists TRAINERS: T Barron, 6 winners from 20 runners, 30.0%; J Wharton, 5 from 27, 18.5%; D Chapman, 4 from 33, 12.1%. (Only quelifiers). -O: £2,238: 1m) (6)

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> Blinkered first time SOUTHWELL: 1.25 Predictable, 1.55 Salmon Sparide,

### Results from yesterday's four meetings

Haydock Park

Going: soft

12.45 (2m hdie) 1, STEPPEY LANE (R. Fahey, 10-1); 2, Gold Service (P. Scudamore, 4-9 fav); 3, Mierane (Ger Lyons, 25-1), ALSO RAN: 5 Mirryoun (4th), 11 Duntree (5th), 20 Better Times Ahead (ur), Rusun (6th), 25 Birstwith, Stay Awake, Fenfire, 33 Breek Even, Saintly Path, Go Win Gold (pu), Visuel Star, 50 Water Orchid (ur), Sherkad, Highthying, 100 Edwards Lest (pu), Charlity Dawn, Tell's Tower (pu), 20 ren. 2, 4, hd. 61, 201. W Haigh at Mation. Toke: 214.35; 52.10, 11.51.30, 229.80. DF: 25.50. CSF: £15.82. 1.15 (2m 4f ch) 1, SABIN DU LOIR (P Scudamore, 2-7 fay): 2, Swerdeen (8 Dowling, 11-4). ALSO RAN: 33 The Farmerskitchen (f), 3 rsn. 151. M Pipe at Wellington. Tota: £1.30. DF: £1.20. CSF: £1.38.

21.38.

1.45 (3m hdie) 1, FLEET COMMANDER
(A S Smith, 14-1); 2. Briguard Girl (P
Harley, 65-1); 3, More Distinct (C Dennis,
10-1). ALSO RAN: 10-11 faw Military
Honour, 7 Sip Of Orange (D, What About
Me (Sth), 10 Polish (4th), 12 Marcellina
(Bth), 14 Colonel James (pu), 16 Bonne
Arme, 25 Oh Dear. 11 ran. 101, %1, 121, 3,
61. M Meade at Harley Castle. Tote:
223.90; 24.40, 217.70, 22.20. DF: 2540.00.
CSF: 2457.40. Tricast: 28,374.38.
2.15 (2m ch) 1. STARTS DELIGHT (P 2.15 (2m ch) 1, STAR'S DELIGHT (P Scudemore, 1-4 fav); 2, St Gabriel (G Bradley, 100-30) remounted, 2 ren. Dist. M Pipe at Wellington. Tote: £1.10.

2.45 (3m ch) 1, RIFLE RANGE (G Bradley, 2-5 fav); 2, After Four (S. J O'Nell, 12-1); 3, He is Gready (L. Wyer, 6-1), ALSO RAN: 8 Dearton RI (pu), 50 Lady Of Saldwin (4th), 5 ran. 44, 15, 151. T Tate at Tadcaster. Tote: £1.40; £1.10, £2.30. DF: £4.50. CSF: £5.32.

24.50. CSF: 25.32.

3.15 (2m hdle) 1, GURTTEEN BOY (R Suppie, 9-1); 2, Weetmans Wagon (R Dunwoody, 7-2); 3, Tree Poppy (B Dowling, 2-1 fav), ALSO RAN: 100-30 Rusty Roc (4th), 4 Cetic Bob (5th), 14 Strokestown Lad (6th), 6 ran. 251, sh hd, 61, 101, dist, J J O'Nell at Pentrith. Tota: £13.40; £2.80, £2.20. DF: £27.10. CSF: £37.51.

(hurdles)
12.45 (2m 100yd Indie) 1, MANDER'S
WAY (R Beggan, 2-1 tev); 2, Brown
Pepper (J Leech, 9-4); 3, Pether Titten (S
Smith Eccles, 8-1), ALSO RANS 9-2 burnt
Fingers, 10 Murphy's Man (Str); 2 burnt
Puttern (4th), 33 Landmark, Orleans
Sound (f), Scottish Express, Absolutely
Humming, Helen Red (8th), 50 Sospiando, Miss Ark Royal, Miss Kilpatrick, 14
ran, 51, 24, 6, nk, 20. Miss H Knight at
Lockings, Total 24, 60; £1,50, £ \$1.20, DF: \$5.60, CSF: £7.05.

1.15 (2m 61 hdlo) 1, CARFAX (M Hoad, 11-4 (1-fay); 2, Scale Lad (S Conton, 25-1); 3, Kathles Cholce (N Menn, 9-1), ALSO RAK: 11-4 (1-fay he ponny Nap (8th), 7-2 Jim Bowie (4th), 6 Dreaming Star (5th), 8 Whoever, \$3 Taxiada (au), Mastar Comedy (au), New Game, 10 ran, 20, 114, 114, hd, 61. R Hoad et Lowes, Tots: \$4.00; \$1.70, \$2.80, \$5.20, DF (1st or 2nd with any other): \$21.40, CSF: £56.84, Tricust: \$535.88, Bought in 4,800gns.

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1.65 (2m 4f ch) 1, BOLD LAMENT (J. White, 15-2); 2, Our Fellow (M Bowlby, 18-1); 3, Heiry Het (R Bowe, 12-1), ALSO RAIL: Evens fav The Peoperaci (m), 11-2 Absolute Beginner (5th), 10 Predominate (pu), 12 Framiliel (m), 20 Belaschhorn Hat (h), 33 (Brasac (pu), Noble Flyer (pu), The Wooden Hut (f), No Politics (4th), 12 ran. 41, 81, 121, 41, N Henderson at Lambourn. Tote: 23.50; 92.80, 92.90, 91.80, DF: 247.10, CSF: 275.44.

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Powell, 13-8; 2f. Cloven Racks (C Liewellyn, 4-5 tay; 2f. Blertiel Commender (M Perrett, 15-2). ALSO RAN: 25 Wordel (4th), 23 Georgian Bey (pu), Femington (5th), 6 ran. 31, dd-hr, 15; 2b. N Geselee at Lambourn. Tota: 22-90; 51-90. Cloven Rocks 50p. Marriel Commender 70p. CSF: Mr Phistrion and Cloven Rocks, 2f. 444. Mr Pinkerton and Martiel Commender, 28.45. DF: Mr Phistrion and Cloven Rocks, 21-20; Mr Prinkerton and Martiel Commender, 23.10.

2.45 (2m 4f ch) 1, El. GALEEO (J. Osborne, 14-1); 2, Vincanio (R Rowe, 11-2); 3, Basilian (C Uswellyn, 6-4); ALSO RAN: 65 fav One More Knight (sr), 50 Chelsea Man (f), 5 ran. 201, dist. O Sherwood at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £11.10; £4.30, £1.10. DF: £10.00. CSF; £99.46. £89.46.

Powell, 5-6 fav); 2, Run To Form (M Pitman, 9-4); 3, Shampgan (J Akahurst, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 15-2 Retait Runner (4th), 8 Trecauldah, 10 The Oil Beron (5th), 25 Turkish Tourist, Warm Winter (6th), 33 Summerhil Shadow (pu), 50 Mr Avenger, Penflouse C. 11 ran. NR Air Commencer. 10, 2, 15, 6, 71. D Elsworth at Whitsbury. Tote: 22.00; 21.30, 21.40, 22.60. DF: £3.30, CSF: £3.87.

Southwell 12.40 (2m hdle) 1, HML BEAGLE (R Bevan, 8-15 tav); 2, Touch Of Speed (B Doran, 7-1; 3, Bellywest (Mrs H Nooran, 12-1), ALSO RAN: 7 BBy's Dancer (4th, 9 Martinelli (6th), 12 All Agreed (pu), 50 Well Informed (5th), 7 ran. 15, 4, 3, 71, 8; W Clay at Stoke-on-Trent. Tolar: £1.40; £1.10, £2.40, DF; £3.80, CSF; £5.24.

1.10, 22.40. Dr. Es.du. CSP: 23.24.

1.10 (2m hdie) 1, SULUK (Gary Lyons, 13-8; 2, Gaineat Lady (J Lower, 1-2 fav); 3, Fessible (J Barlow, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 12 Major Fradie (4h), 14 Cara Muffin (6h), 16 London Windows (5h), 20 The Berwick, 25 Stanton Cueen, 33 Brulee, 50 Licky Lens. 10 ran. 12, 31, 101, 294, 31. R Hollinghead at Upper Longdon. Tota: 23.90; 21.30, 21.00. 22.10. DF: 23.70. CSF: 23.50. Tricest: 29.66.

1.46 (2m hdie) 1, ARBOUR (J Lower, 2-5 fav); 2, Mismi Bear (Gary Lyons, 8-1); 3, Burtonwoods Beat (Susan Kersey, 25-1). ALSO RAN-5 Red Indian 44th), 13-2 Tap Dencing (8th), 40 Welsh Mansion (5th). 5 ran. 4, 2, 30, 101, 4l. M Pipe at Wellington. Tots: £7.20; £1.10, £1.70. DF: £3.50. CSF: £4.84.

61, 101, dist. J J O'Neill at Penritri. Tota: £13.40; 22.60, 22.30. DF: £27.10. CSF: £37.51.

Pincapot £141.20.

Folkestone

Geing: good (chase course); good to soft (nurdes)

2.40 (2m 4f hdie) 1, PRAINEE AGENT (S Johnson, 16-1); 2, Mr Presiey (R Camp-bell, 20-1); 3, Old Dusch Hollors (D Gallegher, 1-3 fav), ALSO RANE 5 Above The Wind (4th), 6 impunity (pu), 33 Cureen Run (pu), 6 ren. 4, 1%, 251. P Felgaste at Metton Mowbray. Tota: 220.00; 26.70, 210.00. DF: 233.60. CSF: £184.48. No bid.

3.10 (2m 41 hdie) 1, RODCHENKO (Peter Ceichneil, 3-1); 2, Obytopen Reef (J Lodder, 10-1); 3, Pytchley Prince (Gary Lyons, 8-11 tay). ALSO RAN: 10 Powerd March (4th), 20 Hezeleels Delight, Soring Cottage (5th), 25 Cuckoo in The Nest (5th), 50 Morvern, 8 ran. NR: Lucy Lastic, 31, 81, 81, 254, 101. T Caldwell at Warrington, Toter 55.60; £1.60, £3.40, £1.40. DF: £10.20. CSF: £29.20. Tricest: £37.98. Placepot: £159.90. Edinburgh

Going: good 12:30 (2m 4f hdie) 1, Woodchester Glen (D Syrne, 11-8 lav); 2, Across The Lake (10-1); 3, Szele Lad (7-2), 7 ren. NR: Suntimerusi. 1l. 2½l, A Fowler. Tote: 92:60: £1:20, £1:90. DF: £5:30, CSF: 913:26 1.0 (3m ch) 1, Third in Line (M Dwyer, 4-5 fev); 2, Major Rouge (14-1); 3, Castle Pen (200-1). 6 ran. 8, digt. Jareny Fitzgeráli. Tote: 22.00; £1.10, £7.00. DF; 26.40. CSF: £11.22.

1.30 (2m ch) 1, Palm House (G McCourt, 2-1 fay); 2, Mariamoore (11-2); 3, Mac-arthur (9-4), 6 ran. NR: Exciting Prospect. Hd, 41, 6 Richards. Tota: E3.30; £1.80, £1.90, DF: £5.50, CSF: £11.59. 2.0 (2m ch) 1, Beas Guest (N Smith, 10-11 fav); 2, French Aggression (100-1); 3, Hi Wallie (6-1), 5 ran, 30, 11. J Parkes, Tota: \$2.00; £1.10, £8.50. DF: £33.70, CSF: £23.87.

2.30 (2m hdie) 1, Easy Over (M Deyer, 8-11 fav); 2, Carbiedele (7-1); 3, Outstand-ing Bill (16-1), 5 ran. 7), ½1, G Moore. Toss; 52.20; £1.50, £1.90. DF: £3.10. CSF; £8.34. 20.34.
3.0 (2m ch) 1, Pura Homey (L. O'Hara, 5-2); 2, Ringmore (6-5 fav); 3, In The Breaze (11-1). 5 ran. Nk. 15L G Richards, Tote: 23.10; £1.80, £1.40. DF: £2.00. CSF: £5.68. 25.68.
3.30 (2m fist) 1, Flowing River (J Callaghan, 20-1); 2, Merry Mester (18-1); 2, Swift Carriage (12-1), Blacksburg 5-4 fav. 15 ran. 41, 31, R Allan. Toke: £28.40; 55.40, £1.90, £3.20, DF: £151.20, CSF: £289.77. Placepot: £7.50.

Jinxy Jack's odds tumble

The gamble on Jinxy Jack for the Tote Gold Trophy at Newbury on February 10 gathfavourite from 9-1. The firm quoted 12-1 on Wednesday when the weights were

published.
Fragrant Dawn, their original favourite, has eased a point to 9-1 with stable companion Hill Street on 11-1, Wonder Man 12-1 and 14-1 bar the four. Bonanza Boy continues to attract support for the Tote Cheltenham Gold Cup. On offer at 12-1 with the sponsors at the start of the week, the Welsh National winner is now 13-2

third favourite behind Desert Orchid, a 3-1 chance and Carvill's Hill at 5-1. Racing next week

MONDAY: Wolverhampton, Chepstow. Lingfield Park (AW).
TUESDAY: Leicaster, Newton Ab-bot, Lingfield Park (AW).
WEDNESDAY: Kelso, Plumpton, Southwell (AW). THURSDAY: Wincenton, Southwell (AW).
FRIDAY: Ascot, Wetherby, Edinburgh, Lingfield Park (AW).
SATURDAY: Ascot, Newcastle,
Market Rasen, Warwick.
(Flat meetings in bold type)



BETTING: 4-6 Forest Sun. 5-1 Black Humour, 8-1 Timyland, 10-1 Atlaal, 12-1 Danny Harrold, 16-1 Lady sanna, Gassid, 20-1 Perk Street, 25-1 Kalakate. 1989: WISHLON 6-12-0 I Shoemark (4-6 fav) R Smyth 4 ran Britannia Bell by 12! at littorester (2m, good to soft).

DANNY HARROLD, an expensive purchase from Ireland after winning two bumper events, was very disappointing when besten 41% into 5th behind Tajrobe at Wolverhampton (2m 4f, good) on hurdling debut.

KALAKATE put up an excellent performance on the Fist in 1968 when 2%! 3rd to Sheriff's Ster in a group if event at Royal Ascot (im 4f). LADY ROBANNA, best Liseleen Lady by 15! at Wincanton (2m, good).

Selection: FOREST SUM FORM FOCUS FOREST SUM, has starts in exceeding style, the best of them when beating the useful chappeas by Si at Ascot (2m, good to soft) on his penultimete start.

TIMITYLAND was ridden out to beat QAASID (7b better cft) by Si in a Bated hurdle at Kempton (2m, good). He may struggle to confirm the placings on these terms, ATLAM, steps up in clease after beating Sharon's Royale by Si at Startford (2m, good).

BLACK HUMOUR was impressive when beating 3.5 ORIENTAL HANDICAP CHASE (£5,760: 2m 18yd) (3 runners) 501 1U-2543 HOGHANAY 10 (C.D.F.G) (Mrs R Casey) P Felidan 8-11-10... 502 14/1-4PP IRON GRAY 11 (D.F.S) (Mrs J Mould) D Nicholson 8-10-7 ... 503 123332 BROAD BEAM 9 (D.F.G.B) (G Webb) P Hobbs 10-10-5 ..... BETTING: 11-8 Hogmaney, 13-8 Broad Beam, 11-4 Iron Gray. 1989: ROYAL STAG 7-11-8 H Davies (9-4 Iror) D Grissell 5 ran 3.35 HARRIER NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,519: 2m 5f 75yd) (17 runners) 3.35 HARRIER NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,519: 2m 5f 75yd) (17 rumners)

801 212111 KAMEO STYLE 14 (F,2,5) (Three Counties Bloodstock Ltd) F Jordan 7-12-0 J Loddor (6) © 98

802 11-13-2 OLVESTON 15 (F,0) (C Lowis) D Barrons 6-11-13. R Greens (7) 80

803 39-3113 GANNAAS 7 (8,D,F) (Airs A Leap Mrs D Haine 6-11-12 S Smith Eccles 60

804 436-13 TREBLE TROUBLE 23 (0) (P Withey) Mrs C Postiedweits 5-11-4 B Powell 88

805 1 CELTIC HAMBIND 57 (20) (Airs M Rogers) D Nicholson 7-11-3. J Outcome 88

806 30-U THE ARTIFLE RASCAL 14 (Airs R Banks) J Gifford 8-11-0. T Pinitleid 88

807 4-43256 HOLTERMANN 11 (R Be8) M Haynes 8-10-7 C Lieuwillyn 94

808 DU2-1 DEVILS ELEOW 49 (F) (HFH Prince of Weles) N Geselon 6-10-5 K Mooney 80

809 222223- ST ATHANS LAD 285 (Geyer Estates Ltd) R Curits 5-10-4 R Geldstein 91

610 5F065-1 COWORTH PARK 22 (D,8) (M Gibbon) P Mitchell 5-10-1 D Marphy 83

812 494-432 CAPTANI AHAB 11 (SF) (R Matthews) G Belding 5-10-0 W Humphreys (3) 88

813 409-4-32 CRASHING BOD (J Hudde) C Trietine 6-10-0 P Dever 89

614 099-42 CRASHING BOD (F) (C Eds) S Mellor 6-10-0 P Barmand (5) 90

615 65-0120 TRYLINDHANT LAD 8 (Try Group PLC) T Jones 6-10-0 M Funding 82

617 590-01 The Red 9-11, Crasting Bore 9-10, Tryumphant Lad 9-7, Seal Prince 8-4, bor 8-7. Long handicap: Into The Red 9-11, Creating Bore 9-10, Tryumphant Lad 9-7, Sed Prince 9-4, bor 9-7.

BETTING: 9-2 Kameo Style, 5-1 Coworth Park, 7-1 Holtermann, 8-1 The Artist Rescal, Canness, 10-1
Into The Red, 12-1 Devils Elbow, St Athens Lad, Treble Trouble, Celiic Hambro, Crashing Bore, 14-1 others. 1989: THE DECENT THING 6-10-10 J Frost (2-1 few) G Bailding 13 ran 1.45 NEW YEAR HANDICAP CHASE (26,937: 2m 4f) (6 runners) 12/139-4 NEDNEGHT COUNT 18 (D.Q.S) (H Joe) J Gifford 10-12-0 T Grantisen 25
129-22-P BISHOPS YARN 7 (C.D.Q.S) (STRIS Pic) G Baiding 11-11-8 R Quest 0 99
FFIP4-U1 PHOERIX GOLD 11 (D.F.S) (Phoenix Waterproofing) Jimmy Fizqurald 10-11-3 M Dwyer 96
11/1129- FU'S LADY 316 (SF,CD,F.S) (S Dunster) M Fipe 8-10-0 J Lower 11/1129- FU'S LADY 316 (SF,CD,F.S) (S Dunster) M Fipe 8-10-0 G McCain 7-10-0 G McCain 7-10-0 B Dowling 11/1129- FU'S LADY 316 (SF,CD,F.S) (Notice Notice Noti Long had BETTING: 6-4 Phoenix Gold, 8-1 Fu's Lady, 7-2 Midnight Count, 9-2 Sishops Yarn, 14-1 Sure Metal, 100-1 Alice's Boy. 1989: NO CORRESPONDING RACE 78 1984: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS MIDNIGHT COUNT, at his best, ran very poorly when a distant 4th to ida's Delight at Wetherby (2m 50yd, good) last week and is by no means certain to appreciate the step up in distance today.  BISHOPS YARN was an impressive winner here (3m, soft) last year, but was never in the hunt when publied up on seasonal reappearance at Newbury (2m 4t, good). Should appreciate the easier surface today but may need this race. PHOCHEK GOLD, a useful novice last season, unseated his rider early	on when well backed here (2m 4f, good to at Sabin du Loir's race on reappearance. Then we to impress with 101 defeat of Villerstow Wetherby (2m 4f 100yd, good to soft) latest taken a rise in the weights but looks the one to FLP'S LADY won four time last season but proput up best effort in defeat when 4f 2nd to a Tonights The Night over course and dis (heavy) in February. Faces a stiff task on sea debut but trainer boasts an exceptional record Selection: PHOENDK GOLD
2.15 MAKERFIELD CLAIMING HURDLE (21	t,995: 2m) (18 runners)
1 F21500/ MUSICAL MYSTERY 676 (D,S) (A Calm 2 221156- TITUS GOLD 286 (D,S) (A Dicknoot) M 3 4/56416- ECUATOR 282 (D,S) (A Blackoot) M 6P/ DYNAMIC STAN 463F (W Midlenda Rac 5 3121F0 MORGUAY 11 (D,F,G) (Fall Circle Pic) N 6 21/0/PF SMART JACK 14 (F,S) (S Msrsh) R Fish 7 0/1001/ BALLATICO 77F (D,S) (A Menning) J A 8 403P-0 MARKE ZEPHYR 5 (C W C Blow) C W C 9 300560- GEMERAL TIMEER 283 (G Palmin) J Co	as) M Avison 8-11-8 R Marley Dickinson 5-11-8 Adele Jeckson (7) Lickinson 5-11-8 Adele Jeckson (7) Lickinson 5-11-2 A Miningan Ling Glub) C Trietline 6-11-0 R Supple (3) Trietler 5-11-0 G McCourt P Miner 9-11-0 P Miner Licking 7-10-12 M Ahem (3) C Essay 6-10-11 J J Calen Licking 7-10-10 G Smith Licking 7-10-10 T Reed Licking Remail Thompson 7-10-10 J K Kinane Carb) Remail Thompson 7-10-10 M Leese (7) Licking 10-10-7 M Alaton (7) Licking 10-10-5 D J Remail Licking 10-10-5 D J Remail
RETTING: 3-1 Colche, 7-2 Norquey, 4-1 Brown	Rifle, 5-1 True Sparten, 6-1 Coqueta, 10-1 Equ
12-1 Titus Gold, 14-1 Marie Zeptyr, 16-1 others.	

2.45 OLDHAM HANDICAP CHASE (Ameteurs: £3,172: 3m) (6 runners) 4P/22-F SICILAN ANSWER 15 (1.F.Q.S) (G Lennox Cotton) G Richards 13-11-10 P Doyle (5) 81
38912-7 ETON ROUGE 23 (CD.S) (Airs B Jenics) S Christian 11-11-10 G Upton (3) 93
91F11-6 FOREST RANGER 17 (D.F.S) (K Al-Said) J Edwards 8-11-8 T Ninchell (7) 47
976-144 RIG STEEL 18 (D.F.Q.S) (R Robbine) J Bukovets 10-11-1 S Mallos (7) 93
473-F4P COOL SNEW 16 (D.S) (R Paintey) R Paintey 12-10-8 T Biordios (7) 93
102521- GAY MOORE 234 (D.S) (Airs C Beasley) M Robbinson 9-10-2 Miles C Beasley (6) 9-19 RETTRIC: 7-4 Eton Rouge, 7-2 Rig Steel, 4-1 Forest Ranger, 5-1 Gay Moore, 6-1 Sicilian Assess. 1988: PERMARCIS 10-10-1 Mr J Questly (5-1) K Stone 8 ran 3.15 NORTHERN HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,655: 2m 4f) (9 runners)

Long handleap: Shoon Wind 9-13, Big White Chief 9-13, James My Boy 9-10.

EETTING: 7-4 Yorkshire Holly, 3-1 Liedett, 8-1 Dutch Cell, 8-1 Big White Chief, 10-1 Directly, 12-1 Instant
Ten, 14-1 Nodiorus Dilenna, 15-1 others.

1982: MAELKAR 5-11-3 M Dwyer (13-8 fev) J J O'Neill 8 ran Course specialists

J Lower G Bradley M Dwyer A Memigan G McCourt

Rides Per cent 18 33.3 48 29.2 89 22.5 21 14.3 42 11.9

Mike Teague, the burly breaker of Australian hearts during the British Isles tour last year, considers he has a problem

refere the start of England's five actions' championship

programme.
Teague, preparing with Eng-land in Lanzarote, fears there is a universal image of him in people's minds. "Perhaps they

## Expulsion threat to Welsh clubs who refuse to join league

Union, has left the country's that a competition which has leading clubs in no doubt of received such uniform aptheir future should they fail to reach agreement over who not reach an agreed runs the proposed national management formula. league next season: "Unless they respond to us they will find themselves in non-membership of the union," Evans, who took office this rugby and those English clubs said. "The normal

two divisions of the new structure, in the light of the year's WRU annual meeting another four in the spring. that all clubs must play in

Aberavon v Swansea

at scrum half

Cardiff v Bath Cardiff have lost six players to national squad training and have three other internationals absent. Bath are similarly afflicted but have Hall in the back row

Aberavon move Lewis from full back to stand-off half and have Matthews back at centre for the first time in six weeks. Swansea, with five players absent in Portugal, play the unsettled Taylor on the wing with Alan Williams at scrum half.

and Chilcott to lead from the front.

Headingley lose Sellars, their hooker, with a back injury and Atkins, their second choice, is away. Leicester bring in Sandford (wing), Poole (lock) and Lee Richardson for Wayne, his brother, at own.

Moseley v Newbridge

injuring a linger and parmers Boyle, with Hardwick deputising for the absent Linnett. Newbridge hope to follow the winning ways of Swansea and Llanelli against the Dissipations with

Radu Demisu, the new Roma-nian federation secretary, and

one of the great No. 8s of the Sixties, has sent telexes to the

Japanese and New Zealand rugby unions to explain that the

Third round

Bristol C v Swindon

Cambridge v Darlington... Cardiff v QPR.....

Chelsea v Crewe...... C Palace v Portsmouth.

Huddersfield v Grimsby

Northampton v Coventry

Sheff Utd v Bournemouth Stoke v Arsenal

v Whitley Bay

m v Southamoton Watford v Wigan ...... West Brom v Wimbledon ..

Plymouth v Oxford...... Reading v Sunderland . Rochdale v Whitley Bar

Torquay v West Ham.

Barclays League

Carlisle v Southend

Ashtord v Burton..

Corby v Atherstone ..... Crawley v Gloucester ... Dorchester v Cambridg

Chester v Leyton Orient

Beazer Homes League

Headingley v Leicester

Denis Evans, the new sec-retary of the Welsh Rugby union. It seems curious, too, Etheridge, Gloucester's Engunion. It seems curious, too, proval from the players can-

The sooner there is agreement between the WRU and those who represent the clubs, the better both for Welsh who maintain fixtures with constitutional process will them. As things stand a tenapply."

There seems little ambignition, playing home and ity there for the leading 18 away league fixtures, will oc-clubs who will form the first cupy 14 weekends before Christmas (which leaves little room for some traditional requirement introduced at last Anglo-Welsh games) and The new arrangements will

London Welsh v Bristol

Douglas returns at scrum half for the Welsh, who have Hughes at stand-off and Speight at No. 8. Bristol introduce Hilton at prop in a side including Thillet, a Frenchman, on the wing.

Sutton returns at stand-off half for Nottingham for the first time since the start of the divisional competition. Field is at hooker and Stiles moves to the wing against a London Irish side with Errows at full beat.

Bullough plays in Sele's second row instead of Baldwin, while Whitcombe and Hodgson return to the front and back row

respectively. Jee moves to stand-off half and Burnhill to wing against a team which won the

Townend reinforces Wakefield at stand-off half while Danny Clarke

Wakefield v Bedford

Nottingham v L Irish

Sale v Waterloo

Gloucester have preferred John Brain to Etheridge in recent weeks, although the divisional selectors chose Etheridge, and the lack of firstteam rugby is concerning the "It is partly my fault that I

Etheridge, Gloucester's Eng-

land B lock, who said yes-terday that he was pondering

offers from two Welsh clubs

am not in the first team because I have not been playing well for Gloucester this season," Etheridge said. "I am not bitter or angry, but I am ambitious and I feel I must be playing first-team rugby to further my career." Brain plays for Gloucester

today against a London Scottish team denuded by the Scottish trial, while another England B player who finds himself in the cold is Alan Sharp, the promising prop. He has been dropped from Bristol's XV to play London Welsh because he missed training this week and omitted to notify the club.

Simon Irving, who toured Spain with England B last May but has not played since injury against the Fijians in October, is in the centre in the secondteam match between Headingley and Leicester. Stuart Barnes, Bath's captain, is to rest a calf muscle injury for another week.

Club matches throughout the British Isles are affected by national-squad business: England's visit to Lanzarote removes some 15 players from the Wasps-Harlequins encounter at Sudbury and, since the Welsh are on the Algarve, Cardiff v Bath is similarly



Reds set to make challenge

While England and Wales have shown a preference for warm weather squad training. Scot-land have stuck to the tra-ditional format of a national trial as part of their preparations for the five nations' championship.

In many ways the lack of a

'super league' and the fact that so many of Scotland's players are based outside the country necessitates this rather particular examination; indeed in re-cent seasons it has served Scotland well in confirming the talent of the likes of Armstrong and Chalmers, the Hastings

brothers and the centre, Lineen. Today both Chalmers and ng will be absent from the trial at Murrayfield, but there are other young players who could make an impression. Of these Ian Jardine (Stirling County) and Cameron Glasgow in the Reds team could advance their careers and, among the forwards, Andy MacDonald and George Graham should cer-tainly establish themselves in the hierarchy and could trouble

RUGBY ÚNION

Blues v Reds (at Murrayfield, 2.0)...

Aberavon v Swansea
Aberillery v Glamorgan Wors
Boroughmuir v Durham City (2.0)
Camborne v Newquay (2.45)

Cross Keys v Pontypridd Exeter v Okehampton (2.30)... Havant v Askeans (2.30)....

L Welsh v Bristol (2.15)...... Met Police v US Portsmouth.

Moselay v Newbridge ... Neath v Ebbw Vale ..... Newport v Bridgend ....

Rugby v Saracens...... Sale v Waterloo (2.45)...

Notingham v L. Irish.
Nurneaton v Pontypool (2.30).
Orreit v Moriey (2.30) Plymouth v Rosslyn Pk (2.45).
Preston G v Roundhay (2.15).

Sale v Waterioo (2-49).
Sheffield v Bradford and B (2:30)...
Tredegar v Maesteg
Vale of Lune v Hartlepool R (2:15)...
Stewarts Mel FP v Glasgow H (2:0)
Wakefield v Bedford (2:30)...
Waste w Hardowie

the Anglo-Scot, Stuart Jardine, has a real chance to challenge only one game for Selkirk following a month out of the game. It is a pity that Stewart Porter, the Malone wing, has had to withdraw.

Scotland's selectors more than two weeks to decide one Doug Wyllie, who, although he has proved his worth at club and district level, has never fulfilled his potential as an international

thantwo weeks to decide on their team to play Ireland on Alongside Glasgow will be the Dundee High School FP centre, Paul Rouse, with whom he played for North and Midlands February 3. BLUES: G Massings (London Scottish); A Stanger (Hawind), S Hastings (Watsoniarts), S Luesen (Boroughnuir, L Research (London Scottish); D Wylle (Stawart's-Meiville), G Other (Hawind); D Sole (Edinburgh Academicals, capt), K Mäne (Heriot's FP), P Burnelt (London Scottish), C Grey (Notringham), D Crossin (Bath), D Turbull (Heriot), G Marnhall (Sakint). A Buchange-Smith (London at under-21 level. Rouse and Jardine form a forceful centre pairing, both offensively and defensively, and under the coaching of Richie Dixon, who is in charge of the Reds team, will almost certainly try to link

REDS: P Dods (Gala); A Moore (Edinburgh Academicais). P House (Durndee High School FP), I Jamidee (Strings County); I Tulcato (Settinic); G Gasagow (Hentot's FP), I Serdine (South Glamorgan Institute); G Graham (Schring County); J Affan (Edinburgh Academicais), I Mille (Hentot's FP), J Richardson (Edinburgh Academicais), A Macdonaid (Cambridge University); J Jeffrey (Kelso), C Hogg (Melcoe), F Caider (Stewart's Methila; capt). REPLACEMENTS: Backer, R Seled (Kelso), D Barrett (West of Scotland), R Cramb (London Scotlah), B Edwards (Boroughmur); E McCarldindee (Gasgow High Kelwinside), C Redpetts (Melcose). Forwards: D Busby (Giasgow High Kelwinside), B Robertson (String County), A Watt (Grift), G Welr (Melcose), G Wilson (Boroughmur). That will help Calder and Jeffrey who, demoted to the Reds, are being asked to prove themselves. Their cause has been helped by the withdrawal from the Blues side of Derek White, who is suffering from flu

see a gay in a big red cape with a large 'S' on his back raming out at Twickenham," he said. "I have set a high standard by what I did in Ameralia, but I hope people den't expect that every time I now play a match. Life isn't like that." isn't like that."
Winning the man-of-the-series award with the Lious catapulted Teagne into the realms of master rugby men from the British Isles. The player who left for Australia, smid furtive whispers from some that he was fortunate to go, returned trailing clouds of slore.

Teague warns the

watchers he is

no caped crusader

But to assume that he will reproduce that form for England this winter is dangerous. For a start, he has missed almost the

was from another world com-pared to his play for the Lious. parted to his piny for the thous-but, he reasons, it was al-together easier on tow. "You were surrounded by the linest players and were supremely fit. You trained every day and thought about rughy the whole time. There were no distractions.
"My form out there was at a peak, and you cannot expect that sort of high all the time. I wanted so much to show I could do it, and Amstralia gave me the stage. But the Lieus thing is over and finished."

ected; there is a lot of both ways, and Teague seeks no favours from the selectors. "I cannot be chosen for England because of what I did with the

nature or the past. How was it that a player, able to make hinself the best Lion on a tear, had languished for years in the English club game, virtually without recognition at international level? Furthermore, what will England do with him this winter in their discussions over probably the most crucial department of their side; the department of their back row?

Anyone who saw David Regeron, of Bath, excel for the Home Unions XV against France in Paris in October, will wonder why England have named Teague as a No. 8 in their squad. Teague wonders,

which to No. 8 is one to think about; it is not my decision. I don't think it is cut and dried and, besides, it would only be short term. I see myself as a blind side more than No. 8."

## Buzza adds sting to Wasps squad

From Chris Jones, Lauzarote

The "Cambridge Connection", back, and I will have to compete which has provided Wasps with him for a place."

90 many players in recent years, means Alan Buzza will be operating from Sudbury for the Pilkington Cup. Rob Andrew, and I will have to compete with him for a place."

Buzza is not qualified for Courage League rugby or the Pilkington Cup. Rob Andrew, with him for a place. operating from Sudbury for the rest of the season.

Buzza, the captain who led Cambridge to victory in last month's University match, has agreed to join Wasps, despite the presence at the club of Steve Pilgrim, the England B full back.

Simon Hodgkinson, of Notingham, and Buzza, are the

Simon Floggenson, of Not-tingham, and Buzza, are the present England squad full backs, leaving Pilgrim, whe played for England B against Fiji, the probable third choice. Buzza has appeared at full back, centre and stand-off half in representative rugby, and also won a cricket Blue for his slow left-arm bowling.
The Cornishman, aged 23,

said: "It is the logical decision to make because I can travel to Wasps with Mark Bailey and Fran Clough, who are also based in Cambridge. I realise that Steve Pilgrim is the Wasps full

Courage League rugby or the Pilkington Cup. Rob Andrew, the Wasps captain, is one of the many former Cambridge Blues at Sudbury. They include Bai-ley, Clough, Kevin Simms, Si-mon Smith, John Ellison, Sean O'Leary and Steve Kelly. Andrew said: "Alan made his own decision without any help in from Wasps. He's a talented player who will strengthen our

irst-team squad." Geoff Cooke, the England cam manager, does not believe his players need to assemble in London a week tomorrow after the next round of Courage matches. He feels this five-day camp is enough preparation, although some of the players have shown interest in a Sunday morning session before the nor-mal Wednesday assembly prior to the opening five nations' championship game with Ire-

### Romanians unable to fulfil tours

followed prevent Romania patting together a credible tour-ing side. Romania the Romanian Rugby Federation has decided to abandon the country's planned tours to Japan and New Zealand this

TODAY'S TEAM NEWS

We are like after a nuclear explosion," Demina said. "We don't know what is going to happen to our game. The clubs are restructured and everything is in a state of flux. We ask for

He was elected interior sec-

retary yesterday and is organiz-ing the union for the extraordinary AGM in a week's Instead the Roma

time to elect the new committee and council. Romania was scheduled to go to Japan from February 4 to 18 and to New Zealand between May 2 and 9 between May 2 and 9. concentrate on a lighter inter-national schedule in the FIRA

the more established players. Glasgow, who is partnered by

Scottish Trial Match

GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND FIXTURES

Hogg, of Meirose.

Gordonians; Meirose v Misselburgh; Montrose v Aberdeen GSFP; Moray v Highland; North Berwick v Hewick Harie-quins; Panmurs v Howe of Fife; Penicusk v Hoss High; Sellurk v Aspatria; Stewartry v Annan; Trinity Academicats v Broughton FP; Uddingston v Strathcyde Police; Welturburn v Hawick YM; Watsonians v String County; Waysiders v Hamilton Academicats.

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LORDON AND SOUTH EAST: Bisley Office Equipment Southern Merit Table: Abbey v Salisbury; Guiddord v Basingstoke; Henley v High Wycombe; Newbury v Reading; Tendern Computer Seven Countee Merit Table: Lonston; Newbury v Reading; Tendern Computer Seven Countee Merit Table: Hospital; Follers Brewery Middlesex Merit Table: Lonsbury v Barclays Bank; Osterley v Centaurs; Twickenfram v Civil Service, AnT CLOB Merit Table: Herchart Taylors v KCS; Millillians v Haberdashers; Religations v Judians; Whitightians v Haleyburisms, Club metches: Abingdon v Oxford Marathon; Askeans Princes v Canterbury; Benbury v Vipers; Benk of England; v Old Dunstonlains; Beckenharn v Midland Bank; Bettersteiger v Folkestone; Bendey v King's College Hospital; Buggleswede v Bacavinas; Bishop's Stortford v Colchester; Blackheathers v Gravesend; Bracken; Briss Cat Bertongham v Oxford Nomads; Bury St Edmunds v Ipswich; Cambridge v Norwich; Cantabrigian v Peterborough; Chipstead v London Fire Brigade; Citizens v Ott Ethamians; Crankolp v Haywards Health; Dorking v Chichester; Erith v Charlion Park; Felbrstove v Woodbridge; Heckney v Old Totontans; Harrow v Bedirort Adt; Hernel Hempsisad v Old Verulandans; Hott v West Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v West Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v West Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v West Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Old Sys v Old Vest Merches v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Vest Nortoks v Vest Nortoks Lohe Tester Vest Sys v Old

Sufiana v Devizas; Palgnton v Tiverton; Plymouth Alb v Rosslyn Part; Redruth v Pertzance-Newlyn; St Bernadstte's Odd Boys v Sishopston; Truro v Pennyn; Walcoti v Dings Crusaders; Welle v Chard; Whitehall v Avonmouth; Wivelscombe v Precial Recurrence of the control of Royston v Northampton BISOB; Rugaley v Carmock; Selly Oak v Redditch; Shipston on Stour v Witney; Shipstans v Westey; Seating v Beigrave; South Leicester v Earlsdon; Stafford v Walsalt; Standard v GKN: Sawarts and Lloyds v Starmord; Statford v Okt Halesperieus: Streethern v Okt Halesperieus: Streethern v Gióli: Stawarts and Lloyos y stamarro; Stratford y Old Halesoniens; Streetham y Worcester; Sutton Coldifield y Learning-ton; Syston y Mansfield; Teamworth y Kidderminster; Thornesians y Chester-field; Thinky Gulfd y Coventrians; Upton on Severn y Pershore; Uttozalar y Hands-worth; Yauchall y Bedford Swifts; War-wick y Alcaster: Wednesbury y Yardey;

> **RUGBY LEAGUE** RUGBY LEAGUE
> SLALOW LAGER ALLIANCE (2:30 unless stated): Barrow v Huddersteld; Doncaster v Devistury: Leigh v Workington (3.0); Rochdele Hornets v Sheffield Engles; Trattord Borough v Wakaffeld Trinity. Postpowed: Swinton v Cartiele.
> BMF. NATONAL LEAGUE: First division (all 2:30); Million v Mayfield; Milliord v Lock Lane. Second division: Devestury Cettic v Barrow Island; Leigh East v British Aero; Knotkingley; v Rednel.
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NETBALL PES ENGLISH COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Bedfordshire v Hertfordshire; Cheshire v Birmingham; Essex Metropolitan v Hampshire North: Surray v Middlesex. Second division: Derbyshire v Gloucestershire; Kornt v Northamptonshire; South Yorkshire v East Essex: Warwickshire v Satfordshire. Northamptonshire; South Yorkshire North Durham v Marisayside. Seethown division: East Hampshire v West Dorset: East Dorset Hampshire v West Dorset: East Dorset wiste of Wight; Sussex v East Dovon; West Dovon of Mid Hampshire. Eastern division: Eastern through the Cambridgeshire. Eastern division: Eastern Manchester v Mottinghamshire; Norfolk v Cambridgeshire; Suffolk v North Buckinghamshire. Western division: Greater Manchester v Oxfordshire; Stropshire v Avon; Westhire v Staffordshire; West Yorkshire v Berkshire. PES ENGLISH COUNTIES LEAGUE: First

HOCKEY HOCKEY

NATIONWIDE ANGLIA CUP: Fith Round:
Reading v Breen (Somming Lane,
12:30pm); Covertry and Morth Warvickshire v Harteston Magpies (Covertry)
School, 1:30pm); isca v Sheffield (Ottery
St Mary, 2:30pm).
LONDON AND SOUTH-EAST: Club
malchae: Blackheath v Tutes HitFarsham v Basingstoke; Indian Gymkhatha v Brothourne: Lowestort v
Felbustower; Marriow v West Herrs; OMT Velections
Park; Old Wiesthers; OM Vesceler; Sudbury v Bury St Edmunds.

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Burton; Amington v Bartaston; Barbury v Leicaster Westeigh; Numeaton v Lichieti; Old Shiffillers v Streethy; Old Wriffminians v Teltord; Ramgerin v Buoton; Rotherham v Hethersage; Rugby v Hampton in Arden; Rugeley v Leek; Sandback v Michelit; Sheffield v Belpor; Shrëwsbury v Wasar, Sild Union Notis v Horton House; Stafford v West Bronwich; Stourport v Bridgiority; Spelding v Woodslaf Spt; West Bridgiord v Barton; Wordslar v Otton and West Warwickshire.

ICE HOCKEY HEMICKEN LEAGUE: Premier division: Cardiff v Whitely (6.30); Fife v Murrayfield (7.15). First division: Cleveland v Lee Valley (5.15): Slough v Trafford (5.45); Tellord v Swindon (7.0). ICY SWITH CUP: Ayr v Durham (7.0).

BASKETBALL BASKETBALL

COCA-COLA NATIONAL CIP: First round: (8.0 unless stated): Bury v Birmingham; Corby v Solem (7.30); Crystal Paisce v Phymouth; Darby v Cheshire; Hamel Hempassed v North London; Oldham v Kirldees; Stevenage v Watford (7.30); Stochport v Caldendes; Whorthing v Greenwich. First round women; (8.0 unless stated); Camberley v Swindon (4.15); Kingston v Heripscien; Kirldees v Whothum; North London v Bradon; South-Kesteven v Wirral (8.0), NATIONAL BASKETBALL (EAGUE: First division weather: Crystal Paisce (4.0); London Cantral v Caroltt (6.0).

LACROSSE BRINE NORTHERN LEAGUE. First di-vision: Cheadle v Sheffield Steelers; Heston Mersey v Rochdale; Old Stopkordens v Wirmsow; Stockord v Old Hulmeians; Timperley v Old Waconians. BOWLS

LIBERTY TROPHY: Quarter-disels: York-shire v Lancashine (Newark); Norlofk v Worcestershire (Luton); Wilashire v Somerset (Perdiserell); Middlesax v Hampshire (Desborough). OTHER SPORT

RACKETS: Under-24 singles and doubles championships (Queen's Club, London). SNOCKER: Mecanille Gredit Classic (Norbreck Castle, Blackpoot). TABLE TENNIS: Leeds English Open

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OTHER SPORT BADININTON: Glasgow Open (Kelvin Hall, Gasgow.

RACIGETS: Under-24 singles and doubles championships (Cusen's Club, London).

SMOOKER: Mercantile Credit Classic (Nothrack, Castle, Queen's Promanade Blackpool).

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BOXING: Screensport 11-pm; Profeasional event from the United States.
CYCLING: Eurosport 10-11-am; Highlights
from the European Clouds.
DARTS: BBC2 5-30-7pm and 12-1-05sm
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Cross: Coverage of the Felcon National
championships from Birmingham. Sid
Jumping: Coverage from Bischolshofen
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1.45 from Haydock Park. Football: FA
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SKOL NORTHERN LEAGUE First division: Alminck v Bittingham Symhonia;
Blyth Spartans v Brandon; Consett v
Durhem; Gretna v Stockon; Golsborough
v Seahath Red Star; Shidon v South,
Bank: Spennymoor v Easington; Whathham v Newcestie Blue Star; Whitby v Tow
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Cross: Coverage of the Petcon Nettonal BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Astron v Citigence; Atherion LR v Nantwict; Colwan Bay v Leyland Motors (2.30); Darwin v Satison; February Warrington: Knoweley v Prescot Cables; S Helens v Chadderton: Statemeredale v Boote; Yeushall GM v Buracough.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Befor v Bridington Tronty: Bridington Town v Hethold Mann; Brigg v Danaby; Caset Abton v North Shelds; Sheffield v Hellam; Trackley v Gussley.

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**GM Vauxhall Conference** Charley y Macclesfield kidderminster v Barnet...... Merthyr Tydfil v Northwich. Runcom v Barrow.

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VALIXHALL LEAGUE: First divisions: Cheshem v Dorking: Croydon v Hampton; Hardon v Wembley; Hitchin v Souffwick; Kingsbury v Wrotking: Lestherhead v Whytelsele; Lewes v Urbridge; Purfleet v Boreham Wood; Tootisig and Mitcham v Boreham Wood; Tootisig and Mitcham v Miverhoe; Worthing v Chellon sind Hersham v Wiverhoe; Worthing v Chellon sind Hersham v Westerning v Barlon; Heybridge v Finchley; Letchworth v Rainham; Royston v Basidon; Saftron Walden v Hornchurch; Stevenings v Clapton; Tring v Coffee Row; Vaudhall Motors v Ware; Witham v Tibury, Second division south: Brackneff v Molesey; Camberley v Petersfield; East-bourne United v Banstead; Eghem v Maidenthead; Epoom and Ewel v Yaudhing; Feltham v Maiden Vale; Horsham v Harefield; Newbury v Abingdon; Ruisiip Menor v Hungertord.

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Arsensi v Fultam; Southampton v Totten-ham (2.0); West Ham v Luton (2.0).

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B & Q Scottish League Dundee v Hearts... Durriermline v Motherwell... Hibernian v Dundee Utd ..... Rangers v Aberdeen (2.0)... St Mirren v Caltic ......

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Tennents Scottish Cup Second round replays Brechin v Elgin City......

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HPS LOANS LEAGUE: President's Cup-Semi-linial, first leg: Fleetwood v Marine; Witton v Sangor. Frist division: Alfretion v Wintley Bay, Eastwood Hansley v Penritt; Einley v Droyladen; Farsley v Accimpton Stanley; Harnogate v Congleton; Lan-caster v Leek; Netherfield v Eastwood Town: Radciffe v Curzon Ashtor; Rossendale v Newtown; Workington v

ARTHURBAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Old Carthusians v Old Reptonians; Old Chigwellians v Old Etonians; Old Foresters v Old Brentwoods; Old Salopians v Old Cholmeleians. First division: Old Ardinians v Old Wellingburians; Old Bradfieldians v Old Wellingburians; Old Halleyburians v Old Wykehamists; Lancing Old Boys v Old Hartovians.

SPORT ON TV RIJGBY LEAGUE: Screenwort 1-2.30pm: Highlights of Warnington v Wigan.
SARIT AND GREAVSE: ITVI. 10-1.40pm.
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SNOOKE: ITV 3.05-4.45pm and 11pm-12:30am: Coverage of the Mercanille Credit Classic from Bischool.
SUSTANG: Eurosport 9.30-10am; Sarter magazine.

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AMERICAN POOTBALL Screensport
1.30-3.30em, 9.30em-midday, 2.304.30pm and 9-10pm College statich: 1889
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2.15-4.15pm and 11.35pm-1.05em; Highlights of the Independence Bowl, and BASKETRALL: Screensport 6-7.30am, 4.30-5pm and 11pm-12.30am; College metch: 1989 Maci Clearic from Hawaii, and Cleffson v NC State: Eurosport 7-8pm: Highlights from the European circuit. BOXING: Screensport 10-11pm: Pre-ressional event from the United States. tessories even in the times occurs.

CYCLING: Eurosport 10-11am; Highlights from the European Circuit.

DARTS: SEC2 1-2-20pm and 11,150m-12-20am; Coverage and highlights of the Embasey World professional champlesship from the Lakeside Country Cub., Surtrev.

EUROSPORT MENU: Eurosport 9.30em. FOOTBALL: Screensport 4.15-Barn and 12-1.45pm: Spenish League: Barcelons v Seville: Earcelons 19-10pm: Highlights from the Earopean chroat: Bill: 3-5.05pm: Match of The Day: Live coverage of the third round: Nothingham Fersel v Manchester United.

GOLF: Eurosport 10.15pm-12.15em: Highlights of the United States oftine game. GYMMASTICS: Eurosport 4-Spm; World Con. first part.

winning: Best of The Year Highlights of the World championships.

MOTOR SPORT: Screaseport 3.30-4.15em and 1.45-2.30pm: Highlights of the Gamman Forestie 3 championships from Hockanhaim: Eurosport 8-9, 10-10-15pm and 12-15-12.30em (Hordey): Highlights of the Parts-Deltar raily.

RUGSY UNION: Eurosport 12-30-2pm: World Cap: Highlights of the qualifying match between Argentins and United States: BBC2 5-6pm: Rugby Special: Highlights from weekend statches.

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SMOCKER: TY 1.10-3.30pm: Coverage of TOPOSEVER: ESCUZ 5-8-3-5per: Set Senday.
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the Mercaettle Credit Classic from
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Legenda; Highfights of Deviction and
Order's Taylor and Dryndaie.

UPDATE: Screensport 8pm.

Graham Marshall moves into the Blues team and his replace-ment in the Reds side is Carl

Also being tested are lain Milne and Iwan Tukalo, the

latter playing in the trial after

Tottonians; Harrow v Bedigni Adit; Hernel Hempstaed v Old Verutarnians; Hoft v West Norfole, John Fisher Old Boys v Old Reedonians; Kingsburians v Harpenden; Lowes v Southend; Loyds Bank v Bec Old Boys; London New Zesland v Old Blues; Marlow v Old Geytonians; Mill Hill v Sudbury Court; Mitcham v Mertors; Nat West Bank v Bromley; New Ash Green v Dover; Old Alleysian v Madstons; Old Brentwoods v Loughton; Old Edwardians v Brentwood; Old Elizabethans; V Welkyn; Old Emanuel v Old Colletens; Old Freemars v Effingham; Old Grammanians v Watford; Old Guildiordians v Alton; Old Hamptonians v Old Paulines; Old Medonians v

v Old Colletens; Old Freemans v Effingham; Old Grammarians v Watlord; Old Guiddundians v Aton; Old Hamptonians v Old Grammarians v Watlord; Old Guiddundians v Aton; Old Hamptonians v Old Grambarians; Old Mediogensians v Beccalianians; Old Michaelmiting v Medway; Old Suttonians v Anders; Old Wandswormham v Harrodian; Orlegns PP v Staines; Oxford v Lydney; Oxford Old Boys v Eton Manor; Oxfed v Old Bevorians; Park House v Old Brodelsians; Oxford Old Tiffinian; REME Antonied v Wheatley; Romford and Globa Park v Bencroft; Romsey v Milibrook; Royston v Northampton BSOB; St. Albans v Sheltord; Shappey v Thanet Wenderers; Slough v Chinnor; Survey Police v Famism; Taband v Barnet; Tonbridge v Sevencias; Tunbridge Wells v Glingham Anchorians; UCS Old Boys v Hayes; University Vandels v Feither; Unbridge v Finchley; VigOld v Skitingbourne; Wendels v Vandels v Feither; Unbridge v Purley; Westchil v Chelmstond; Westcombe Perk v Dardoniars; Wimbledon v Old Withblisdonians.

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MEDLANIDS: Club metiches: All Spertsne v Sheffield Tigars: Atherstone v Yardiny and District: Aylestone St. James v Kibworth; Benbury v Vipers: Bitglieswade v Bacardens; Birchfield v Glavendon; Brmingham and Solfhull v Stouthdige: Brmingham City Officials v Mateens; Birwingham City Officials v Mateens; Birwingham City Officials v Wednesbury; Birmingham Welah v Berkpwall and Balssat; Boots v Muscon; Braunstone v Old Wellingburlans; Bridgnorth v Keralworth; Bromsgrove v Stoneygate; Burton v Mateot; Berby v Newbold: Discrialists v Gordon League; Dudley Kingswinford v Kings Norton; Durstablians v Daverfry; Dumlop Coventry v Coelhilis; Ead Leake v South Wilgston; East Restond v Helifax Vandels; Edvandiera v Bournelle; Erdington v Burmerood; Everland v Berby Villenhalf; Five Ways Old E v Kynoch; GEC/AET Riggly v Burbage; GEC Coventry v Martox Part; Grinsby v Worksop; Hincidey v Cinderford; Harrow v Bedford Athletic; Kesteven v North Kesteven; Keyworth v Spoliting; Lietgiston Buzzard v Windson; Lindey v Buston; Long Bucktoy v Oliney; Long Eston v Leestnook; Ludiow v Stouthridge Extra; Luton v Chilbern; Lutensworth v Old Bosworthians; Market Rasen v Southwell; Newpostia (Staffa) v Sandbach; Newport v Onther); Northampton Heathers v Rugby Welsh, northampton Holder Biossen; Northampton OS v Northampton OE: Old Moseiolaum v Old Griffinkne; Old Carlots v Market Bosworth; Old Contrals v Woodrus; Old Griffinkne; Old Moseiolaum v Old Griffinkne; Old Moseiolaum v Old Griffinkne; Old Calot v Market Draylox; Old

Morsey v Wirmst. Aspull v Chorley XV: Birkenhead Park v Fylde; Bishop Auckland v Herneworth; Bischburn v Outhern; BP Chemicals v Witherneas; Bramley v Keighley; Bridlington v Southorpe; Broughton Park v New Brighton; Burley v Hullensians; Caldy v Oldershaw; Carnforth v North Manchester; Castle College v Bakewell Mannhertens; Cloethorpes v Ments XV; Chester v Hellitas; Chience v North Ribbleschaf XV; Conse and Nelson v Nashon-under-Lyne; Congleton v Menchester Fire Service; Crewe and Namwich v Chorley; Davenport v West Park (St. Helens); De la Salle v Berton; Didsbury Toc H v Burnage; Dutinfield v Blackpool; East Rentord v Halltax Vandes; Grimsby v Worksop; Hasdingley v Leicester; Headen Moor v Mecclestield; Hull lonians v Huddersheid; Kenda v Gosforni, Kersal v Ruthir; Knaresborough v Moortown XV; Leeds Connthlane v Old Rishworthiens; Leeds CSSA v West Park Bramhope XV; Linley v Buston; Liverpool St Heisters v Ottey; Lymn v Mold; Manchester v Widnes; Metonick v Glossop; McChaile; Old Anselmans v Wallesey; Old Brodeiens v Rochdale; Old Crossleyers v Beverley; Old Hymerians v Withir); Old Sallans v

Owen.

NORTH: Club matches: Adwick v Whentley Hills; Airebronians v Otley Saracens;
All Spartans v Matiby Old Boys; Ashton on
Mersey v Wirnst; Aspull v Chorley XV;
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Manchaster YMCA; Misconesorough v Northern; Moore v Hightown; Old Advelnians v Krisby Lonsdale; Old Arselmians v Wallassey; Old Brodesiens v Rochdele; Old Crossleyers v Bewerley; Old Hymerians v Portestract; Old Chlerasiens v Whithy; Old Salians v Bowdon; Omtektik v Southport; Ornali v Moorey; Ossati v Hope Valley; Orley XV v Sheffield Catus; Paviors v Sandal; Preston Grasshopers v Roundhy; Rawmarsh v Maitby Ob XV; Rossendale v Tydesley; Retherson v Roundhy; Rawmarsh v Maitby Ob XV; Rossendale v Tydesley; Rotherson v Roundhy; Rawmarsh v Maitby Ob XV; Rossendale v Tydesley; Rotherson v Leigh; Salby v Pocklington; Rotherson v Leigh; Salby v Pocklington; Sheffield v Bradford and Bingley; Skipton v Phoeniz Park; Thomensians v Chester-Reid; Vale of Line v Hardispool Rovers; Vulcan v Celder vale; Walesled v Bedford; Wensleydale v Upper Eden; West Leeds v Bolton; Westherby v Northalterion; Wigan v Warmington: Wilmislow v Mid-Cheshire College; Winnington Park v Harrogate; York v Wharfedale; Yorkshire CW v Stocksbridge, Ventualities Shield: First nosed: Acidem v York Ri; Barmaley v Bordesled Y McCheshire College; Winnington; Wath-Hull and ER v Doccaster; Iliday v Castielord; Knottingley v Cockheston; Malfon and Norton v Boundhylegians; Moorlow v Scarborough; North Rabtiesdale v Sheffield Tipers; Rectar v Yambury; Ripon v Old Modernisms; Rodillars v Chloping Sodbury; Backwell v SW Gas; Barnstable v Taushon; Barton Hill v Bilgoton; Bart Ord V Plant delivers of Boys; Hay v Okenan; Bristol Boys; Lab satistica, Camborne v Newtjas; Honest v Stockens v Chippennisms v Othylonic Schoon v St. Mary's Old Boys; Hayle v Okenanisms; Celtion v Britcham; Carton Wanders v Old Stristolians; Citton v St. Mary's Cit Coskonov v Cheddar; Newton Abbot v Pymouth CS; North Dorset v Winscombe: Old Ashories v Stellestics v Weston Hormes; Old Colverbaysiers v Forme; Old Colverbaysiers v F

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## TRAVEL

#### As Europe's top ski resorts wait for snow, Shona Crawford Poole suggests how you can avoid a ruined winter holiday

veryone said it could not happen again, but it has. For the fourth year running, poor snowfall in the Alps has given the ski season a disappointing start. For many earlyseason skiers, who paid the full price of their holidays back in October or November, it has already been a disaster. Locked into the deal, some made

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the best of it and skied in unpleasant conditions, or suffered the inconvenience of daily bussing to better pistes on the basis that they could not afford the cost of cancellation - the full price of the holiday. Others cancelled, probably surprisingly few. Tour opcrators are coy about numbers. preferring to remark on the resil-ience and optimism of the average British skier who "is always sure it is going to snow the day he gets there". It did, of course, for those who woke up on Christmas Eve and opened their curtains on to a foot or more.

It is too soon yet to write off the season as a disaster, although it could turn out to be. But with highseason crowds poised to descend on the slopes in early February, a huge dump of snow will have to arrive very soon if the lower slopes of most resorts are going to be skiable for the remainder of the winter. Without that lower level snow cover, few skiers will classify conditions as good.

For expert skiers who can cope with all kinds of snow and ice on and off the pisted runs, difficult conditions can provide challenges which go a long way to making up for missing the cuphoria of howling down a mountain in perfect powder. The bold and inexpert who are determined to have a good time will have fun wherever they are. But for the less adventurous, with a shaky grasp of technique, who make up no small proportion of the skiing population, bad conditions are miscrable. Not only do these skiers not have fun, they don't even have the satisfaction of making good progress. Global warming is the hot topic

of the moment. Are we experiencing permanent climatic change, which will eventually wipe out Alpine skiing altogether, or is the late snow in consecutive years one of those striking facts which turn out to be of no statistical significance? Scientists at the Meteorological Office said this week that it was impossible to decide whether the warming was caused by manmade pollution, or was part of a natural cycle. This, of course, is an academic question for those trying to decide whether or where to ski this year. But first, the weather prospects.

- SNOWCAST ---

High pressure over Europe has meant that there has been no substantial snowfall anywhere in Burroughs writes). The good news The best way to find these con-



Bare facts: the sorry scene on Thursday in top Swiss resort Verbier, as skiers pick their way to the lifts to get to the best available glacier skiing

## Alps uncovered

has been that while the lowlands have been immersed in low cloud and freezing fog, the ski slopes have been cold and sunny. So high resorts have been able to eke out the snow, while those with plenty of snow cannons (for example St Anton, Val d'Isere, Val Thorens and Zermatt) have been able to keep some lower runs open. Nevertheless, on all but the highest slopes the runs are desperately icy, worn and rocky.

Now the weather is on the change, with high pressure receding eastwards as a milder, more unsettled westerly airstream covers Europe. But this does not mean that the situation will improve rapidly. The immediate prospect is of only limited falls of snow, and there is no sign yet of the major storm that is so desperately needed. Moreover, the rising freezing level will stop snow-making on the lower

Without plenty of new snow in the next two or three weeks it will not be possible to build the base that is essential to absorb the punishment of high season; the only good skiing this year will be

ditions will be to leave any holiday plans to the last possible minute. and only go if a good fall is in

#### FARE DEAL

A majority of tour operators require full and final payment eight weeks before departure. None offers no-penalty cancellation for reasons of poor snow, which is no doubt why so many British skiers believe it will be all right on the night. Snow guarantees, of which more later, have proliferated in recent years as tour operators have sought to overcome our reluctance to book early.

The time has come to question whether booking conditions which work satisfactorily for summer sun and sand holidays are appropriate to winter sports breaks. John Boyle, chairman of the Tour Operators' Council of the Association of British Travel Agents, concedes: "The present situation is like selling sailing holidays with no water. Four years of poor snow will cause us to rethink how we sell the

priced as such. They may become fairly inexpensive because of the uncertainty of snow conditions, and March could become the highpriced part of the season."

But reducing early-season prices will not change booking conditions. Perhaps the the opening of the Channel Tunnel in 1993 will tempt us to bypass tour operators. as most continental skiers do. They wait until it snows, then hop into their cars and descend on the resorts mob-handed to look for bed and board.

#### SNOW **GUARANTEES**

Snow guarantees come in many forms. A number of excellent operators offer no form of snow guarantee at all. My advice is to compare the various types of snow guarantee offered. Read the small print and ask questions. Is compensation paid in a resort only after the holiday is over? Will the company arrange to transfer lift passes, or will you have to pay product. Christmas and New Year twice over? Will it organize transare traditionally high-season and port to better snow conditions only if there is no skiing at all in your

A number of chalet party specialists, including John Morgan, Mark Warner, Supertravel, and Ski Whizz, do not offer snow guarantees. However, they have numerous chalets in high resorts and, outside high season, will move holidaymakers to where they have the best snow. But beware of high season, when most chalets will be fully booked. Some snow guarantees are a

promise to transport clients daily from resorts with no snow to resorts which have skiing. Crystal Holidays' marketing director. Andy Perrin, says: "We ensure our clients get to ski. That can involve a certain amount of inconvenience - say an hour's journey by bus at either end of the skiing day - but most people are happy as long as they get their skiing. We don't give cash handouts. People don't want £20 a day; they want to ski."

Thomson, the biggest ski operator, pays £30 a day in resort if no skiing is possible there, and if the company has not laid on free transport to another resort where skiing is available. That could hours each way, Gloria Ward of Thomson says: "Most skiers prefer the journey to not skiing, but they do not have the choice. It would be prohibitively expensive to lay on a bus and then have it half empty, with the other half of the clients

saying they would prefer the £30." This week the company was bussing skiers from only one Austrian resort, Bad Klein Kirchheim. It paid compensation in Wengen, Switzerland (but not in next-door Grindelwald, which has a mile-long run made from snow transported from glacier by helicopter), and in the French Pyrences. Clients from Valloire, Valmorel and La Clusaz in France have been transferred to other

Another variation on the theme is offered by Bladon Lines, which has an insurance deal that allows skiers to cancel (for a £30 penalty plus the £30 premium) if more than 10 per cent of lifts and runs in the resort are closed three days before departure.

#### INSURANCE

Specialist winter sports insurance broker Douglas Cox Tyrie offers no-snow cancellation as part of its £25 a week policy, including the usual skiing medical cover. To qualify for the no-snow policy, the holiday (in a resort at 1400m or higher) and insurance must be booked at least four weeks before departure. To qualify for a claim, all lifts in the resort and interconnecting ski system must be closed three days before departure. Cover is available only for holidays between December 31 and March

• Information: Douglas Cox Tyrie, 01-247 8888.

#### SNOWLINES ....

To cater for skiers' need for information about snow conditions, and for translations of the euphemistic jargon in which tourist office reports still sometimes appear - for "conditions hard" read "sheet ice" - telephone snowlines, based on tour operators' resort reps' reports and other sources, have mushroomed.

This week the veteran of the information game, the Ski Club of Great Britain, added official Meteorological Office forecasts, updated daily, to its snowline services. These cover the 33 resorts which have their own Ski Club representatives, plus tourist office information from other areas. Calls are charged at 38p per minute, or 25p a minute off-peak.

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TRAVEL NEWS

### Word in their ear

Regulations to ensure the impartiality of the advice travel agents give their customers is proposed by the market analyst, Euromonitor, in a report entitled UK Travel and Tourism 1990. It says a travel trade equivalent of the Financial Services Act, requiring agents to disclose their

ties, would benefit customers. Despite the cut-back in holiday packages being offered this year by tour operators, Euromonitor says the sheer number of holiday packages available makes the provision of a comprehensive advice service difficult

#### Eastward Ho!

The curiosity of West Europ ans about how the other half lives is producing travel opportunities no one could have dreamed of even six months ago. This week a tour of The Great Houses of the Polish Nobility has been added by Prospect Art Tours (01-742 2323) to its already extensive choice of cultural holidays, which also features East Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Bulgaria and the Soviet Union. The one-week tour, departing on August 20, costs £815.

Short-break specialist Travelscene (01-427 4445) has out on more holidays in Berlin, Prague and Budapest. Three nights in Berlin, with flights from Heathrow, cost from £215. Similar deals to Bodapest cost from £239, and to Prague from £259. A casino kend in the new Warsaw Marriott Hotel, including two nights' accommodation with breakfast, two dinners, and free entry to the casino with US\$10-worth of free tokens, costs US\$150, or less than £100 per person. The twonight breaks, exclusive of flights to Poland, are available until the end of the year. Information: Marriott Inter-national Reservations Centre (01-439 0281).

#### Free to choose

Holidaymakers should be able to choose their own travel insurance to suit their particular circumstances without incurring extra charges, says Holiday Which?. The Con-sumers' Association travel magazine says tour operators' policies can be more expensive than similar cover bought separately from a travel agent.

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#### Feeling the heat, not the pressure Although tourism has discovered

Turkey, there are still some unspoilt villages, declares Michael Hamlyn

hank heavens for the silvery sanctuary of Gümüşlük...Those of us who thought we might get to Turkey before the other tourists arrived are too late, and the Aegean landscape is beginning to be changed.

The organic brown and olive coastal hills are being cut by row after row of new housing developments as metal on flesh. The sound of disco brays from seaside cafes, and coachloads of air-conditioned travellers ply be-tween 3,000-year-old cities.

Altinkum, with the nicest beach on the area, came top of the Which? league for nasti-ness in the whole of the Mediterranean. The weekly markets at the handsome city of Bodrum are beginning to be overloaded with fake Lacoste shirts whose alligators fall off at the first wearing.



Sanctuary by the sea: Gumuşluk, where the small harbour is protected by surrounding hills

And yet there are still places like Gümüşlük. A tranquil bay with a tiny harbour almost entirely protected by a tall hill and a small island. The sea is a mixture of indigo and turquoise. A row of whitewashed cottages lines the seashore. Not much beach, and what there is has grey sand; purple bougainvillaea, pink oleander, red hibiscus soften the edges. The waterside in the centre

of the bay is decked with tables from a handful of restaurants - the nearest the village has got to tourist exploitation. The food tends to be stereotyped, but deliciously so. Each offers a menu of meze

(Turkish hors-d'oeuvres) -

fried aubergine with garlic and yoghurt, white beans, stuffed peppers. Main courses are köfte (meat balls) or sis kebab (skewered lamb) or fresh fish, fried or grilled. A three-course meal with wine will cost marginally under £5 per head. An English flower child of the Sixties, abandoned here by the ebbing floral tide and by an Italian husband, offers spaghetti and veal and runs

hotel. There are no discos. Gümüşlük owes its unmolested charm to two happy chances. It stands upon the site of the ancient city of Mindos. As a result dev-elopment has been severely restricted. Mindos itself has not been excavated, so little is known about it, but walks on the cliffs are enlivened by

the nearest the village has to a



clumps of Hellenic masonry jutting through the earth. Fallen pillars protrude from banks. Earthenware tiles, potsherds of ancient amphorae, are scattered. The cattle graze over tumps topped with byzantine mosaics.

Perhaps the most important conservation factor is the presence on the seafront of the summer villa of an important military figure. The country was under military rule from 1980 to 1983 and senior military men still carry influence. This man is known locally as the pasha. When he is in residence a pair of armed guards are seen, usually conscripts from religiously conservative eastern Turkey, strained by the topless sights

on the strand. opening hours of a cafe where lager louts were wont to luminous water-melon. assemble. He causes a line of buoys to be strung across the wonders of ancient Ephesus,

bay so the fleets of sailing

his end of the harbour.

A holiday in Gumüşlük is an unpressured affair. The morning opens with bread fresh from the village shop consumed on the terrace with views of the hills around. A saunter to the beach. In

our case this meant opening the front door for Villa Demet, owned by an architect and operated by Beach Villas of Cambridge, was right on the front. Perhaps a wander to the island in the centre of the bay, reached by a partly submerged causeway. Lunch is a kebab sandwich, or a dish of white cheese and olives. Sunbathing takes place on the terrace where the sun's heat is tempered by cooling sea breezes.

During dinner we watch the evening star and the waxing moon turn the bay to silver. At night, the loudest sounds are a lovesick donkey braying or a dog barking, until the muezzin from the mosque awakens the faithful with his early-morning call to prayer.

On a busy day there is a sea trip on a caique of ancient bulky design, for the traditional boat carried cargoes whose eyes are often plainly of figs. We stop at an island and climb up to a ruined lighthouse, dive from the side But he is to be thanked for of the craft into another the absence of discos. He was secluded bay, hover above responsible for the restricted drowned Grecian villas and picnic on grilled chicken and

On another day we visit the

to sit on the seats where the Ephesians heard St Paul express the sentiments he later set down in his epistle. We admire the statues of the many-breasted Artemis and wonder at a place where first the ancient mother goddess Cybele was venerated and then the chaste huntress Artemis (Diana to the Romans). Even today it is a place of pilgrimage where the Virgin Mary is reputed to have spent the last days of her life.

There are many ancient cities in this region: the hillside fastness of Priene; the great seaport of Miletus long abandoned by the receding sea; the oracle of Didyma, with 70ft walls still standing; the temple of Zeus in Euromos, towering silent in a glade and the cave temples of pre-Hellenic Canaus.

Even the busy port of Bodrum is home also to the remains of the tomb of King holidaymakers may not crowd Mausolos, the second of the seven wonders of the ancient world in this quarter (the other is the temple of Artemis at Ephesus).

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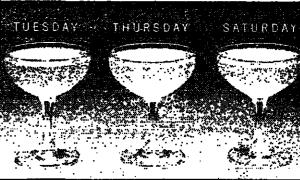
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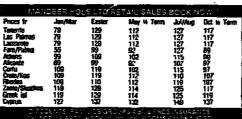
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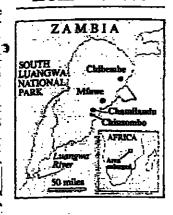
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The only killing **Andrew Powell** met on safari in Zambia came from his feet

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we get charged by a on," Simon (my trail lion," Simon (my trail guide) remarked as we were setting out, "whatever you do, don't run: it only encourages them. If you just stand still they always pull up about 15 yards away." "Always? How often does this happen?

"Oh, not that often . . . but you could be lucky. I tell you, it's one of the great experiences of life."

Back at camp that evening, having avoided any close encounters, we sat drinking cold beer, listening to the hippos quarrelling in the river, and watching the distant hills briefly flame flamingo pink. It had been a long, hot day; the temperature at lunchtime had

"On a good walking safari," Simon observed between regular swigs at a bottle of Mosi, Zambia's alcoholic staple 'you don't just slog through the bush. It's finding the animals' tracks and following iem up that generates the

Chamilandu is a new addi-tion to the handful of small safari camps in Zambia's Luangwa Valley. It is remote and fairly basic: thatched buts, long-drop loos, no electricity. It aims to provide an authentic experience of the African bush before the advent of mass tourism.

Originally, all safaris were hunting safaris. A camp was set up in the middle of nowhere and every day the client went out on foot with the professional hunter in Big-game hunting is still big business all over southern Africa, and every year thousands of Americans and Gerleopard's head for their living-

Certainly the word "safari" these days lends an entirely spurious dignity to the standard East African motorized outing. Herds of minibuses roam the plains descending on one group of unfortunate animais after another. If you see a tight cluster of vehicles, an impromptu car park, then that's where the lions are. They are unlikely to be cheeaha any more as, being highly-strung creatures, most of those have already fled, or died. Fortunately, this type of tourism has yet to come to Zambia (which is not to say that it won't, given the woeful state of the economy).

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vide the same experience of wild Africa as the hunting variety, without the deplornecessity of killing

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things? After a moment's thought, my host at Chamil-andu gave his considered opinion: "I think they can be. I'd like to make this place as much like a hunting camp as possible - without the guns."

We sat in the darkness listening to the cacophony of the African night: a ragged ensemble of rustles and whisgrunts and howls. Eventually, having been up since 4.30am, I stumbled off to bed. "Oh, by the way," a cheerful voice called after me, "I forgot to tell you we've got a hyena round here with a taste for soap. If you leave any outside he'll be sure to eat it. But if you take it in with you, fasten the door properly. He hates being thwarted. Good night."

Walking safaris, it must be said, have their detractors: "Boring. All you see are antelopes' backsides half a mile away" is the most commonly heard complaint. There is undoubtedly an element of truth in this. On foot you seldom get as close to the animals as you do in a vehicle, and photography is a complete waste of time. (Cameras should be abandoned in fayour of a pair of light, clear binoculars with magnification of at least 9x.) However, this is

by no means the whole story. Of all the people leading walking safaris in the Luangwa, the man with the most

established reputation is probably Robin Pope. At his camp, Tena Tena, the day begins at around 5am. By 5.30 you must be on the move, as the sun is already up and many of the animals are beginning to think about calling it a night. For the first hour or so I stumbled along trying vainly to share Pope's evident enthusiasm for impala. (Impala in the Luangwa are about as rare as pigeons in Trafalgar Square.) There are times when the African bush seems tediously safe, and even the thought of treading on a puff adder barely serves to quicken the pulse.

In the first couple of hours we saw more impala, puku (another extremely common species of almost identical antelope), waterbuck, wart-hog, baboon, and a bewilder-

ing kaleidoscope of birds. It was the sudden and spectacular appearance of a bright orange paradise flycatcher that caused us to stop

under a large spreading tree.

After a few minutes' ornithology, still feeling the effects of our early start, I concealed a yawn by glancing up into the branches directly overhead. I stared at the leopard and the leopard stared back at me.
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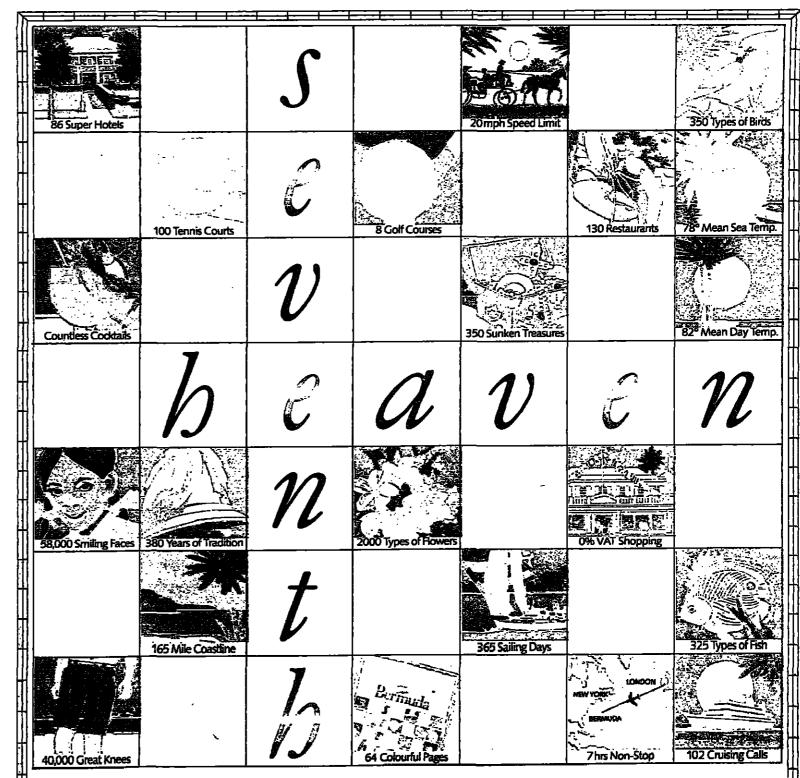
like to think was a normal voice, "up in the tree ... above us." At this point there was the sound of twies snapping, a streak of gold, and a heavy thud. The leopard stood glaring at us about 15 feet away. Then, flicking its tail high in the air, it vanished into the bushes.

illy of me," Pope murmured in self-deprecation. "One shouldn't really stand under trees without looking into them first. Leopards can be a bit of a problem if they one. Big male. Beautiful animal." The whole encounter had lasted maybe 10 seconds, but you could sit in a Land-Rover for a decade and still hope in vain for an experience remotely as thrilling.

John Coppinger, the man-ager of Chibembe Lodge, two hours' dusty drive north of Tena Tena, is a man of pronounced views: "Hunting safaris? What's exciting about sitting in a hide waiting to shoot a leopard 20 yards away with a high-powered rifle and telescopic sights? People just do it out of viciousness."

Chibembe has three small satellite bush camps, and people spend four days completing a circuit on foot. Next year, there are plans to take people up to the North Luangwa National Park on even more extended trips. Robin Pope has similar ideas.

Such trips - walking by day, camping by night, following up tracks, stalking animals through the bush - may not be everyone's idea of a restful holiday, but there's little doubt that they provide an experience of wild Africa difficult to surpass.



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Climate: Walking safarts are only practical in Zambia's dry season: May to October. In the wet season, dirt roads become impassable and the grass grows so tall that you cannot see the animals. The best months are July (climate) and October (game viewing). October, however, is the hottest month.

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